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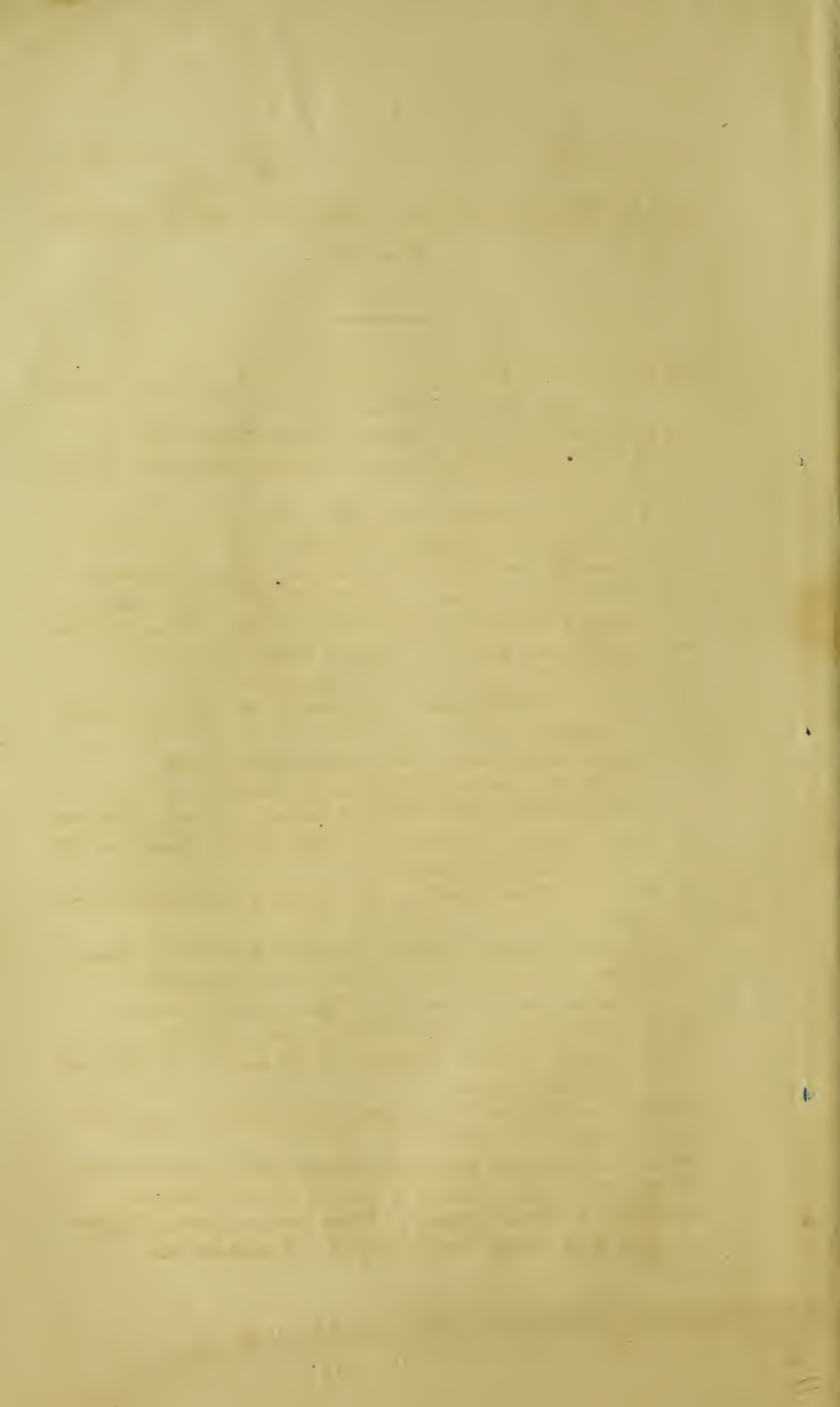
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# LIST OF THE CLERGY IN THE DIOCESE OF SOUTH-CAROLINA,

MAY, 1859.

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The Rt. Rev. THOMAS F. DAVIS, *Bishop of the Diocese, and Rector of Grace Church, Camden.*

The Rev. Thomas S. Arthur, *Rector of Christ Church, Greenville.*

“ Robert W. Barnwell, (Deacon) *Professor in the South-Carolina College.*

“ Edmund E. Bellinger, *Rector of St. Jude's Church, Walterboro'.*

“ John Barnwell Campbell, *Charleston.*

“ Andrew H. Cornish, *Rector of St. Paul's Church, Pendleton.*

“ John H. Cornish, *Rector of St. Thaddæus's Church, Aiken.*

“ Thomas F. Davis, Jr, *Assistant Minister of Grace Church, Camden.*

“ Wm. Dehon, *Rector of St. Philip's Church, Charleston.*

“ J. Grimké Drayton, *Rector of St. Andrew's Parish.*

“ James H. Elliott, *Assistant Minister of St. Michael's Church, Charleston.*

“ Stephen Elliott, *Rector of St. Bartholomew's Parish.*

“ John R. Fell, *Rector of Christ Church Parish.*

“ Christopher P. Gadsden, *Rector of St. Luke's Church, Charleston.*

“ Philip Gadsden, *Rector of St. Paul's Parish, Stono, and St. Paul's Church, Summerville.*

“ T. J. Girardeau, *Rector of the Church of the Messiah, North Santee.*

“ Alexander Glennie, *Rector of All-Saints' Parish, Waccamaw.*

“ J. Merceir Green, *Rector of Christ Church, Charleston.*

“ Alexander Gregg, *Rector of St. David's Church, Cheraw.*

“ B. E. Habersham, *Rector of Trinity Church, Edgefield.*

“ C. R. Hains, (Deacon) *Missionary at St. Luke's, Newberry, and Epiphany, Laurens.*

“ Christian Hanckel, D.D., *Rector of St. Paul's, Church, Radcliffeboro', Charleston.*

“ J. Stuart Hanckel, *Rector of St. Thomas and St. Dennis's Parish.*

“ Wm. H. Hanckel, *Minister of Calvary Church, Charleston.*

“ Robert T. Howard, *Rector of Prince George's Parish, Winyaw.*

“ Wm. B. W. Howe, *Rector of St. John's Parish, Berkley.*

- The Rev. Joseph Hunter, *Rector of Prince Frederick's Chapel, Peedee.*
- " Nathaniel Hyatt, *Rector of St. James's Parish, Santee.*
- " P. Gervais Jenkins, M.D., *Missionary in St. John's Parish, John's Island.*
- " Benj. Johnson, *Rector of Trinity Church, Abbeville.*
- " William Johnson, *Rector of the Church on Edisto Island.*
- " John S. Kidney, *Rector of Trinity Church, Society Hill.*
- " Clement F. Jones, D.D., *Rector of the Church of the Advent, Spartanburg, and Calvary Church, Glenn Springs.*
- " P. Trapier Keith, *Rector of St. Michael's Church, Charleston.*
- " Lucien C. Lance, *Assistant Minister of All-Saints' Parish, Waccamaw.*
- " Maurice H. Lance, *residing near Georgetown.*
- " Charles E. Leverett, *residing in Beaufort.*
- " Edward C. Logan, *Teacher in the School, and Missionary in the Parish of St. Thomas and St. Dennis.*
- " Thomas N. Lucas, *Missionary at Providence, Sumter District.*
- " Alexander W. Marshall, D.D., *Minister of St. John's Chapel, Hamstead, Charleston.*
- " John D. McCollough, *Missionary at Unionville.*
- " David McElheran, *residing at Mount Pleasant.*
- " Stiles Mellichamp, *Rector of St. James's Church, James Island.*
- " James W. Miles, *residing in Charleston.*
- " Augustus Moore, *Rector of Christ Church, Mar's Bluff.*
- " Josiah Obear, *residing in Winnsboro'.*
- " A. F. Olmsted, *Rector of St. Mark's Church, Chesterville.*
- " Henry L. Phillips, *Missionary, assisting the Minister of St. Stephen's Chapel, Charleston.*
- " Rev. C. C. Pinckney, Jr., *Rector of Grace Church Charleston.*
- " A. T. Porter, *Rector of the Church of the Holy Communion, Canonsboro', Charleston.*
- " Wm. T. Potter, *residing in Beaufort District.*
- " Wm. O. Prentiss, *Rector of Christ Church, Wilton.*
- " J. Maxwell Pringle, *Rector of Christ Church, Columbia.*
- " James H. Quinby, (Deacon) *Missionary in All-Saints' Parish, Waccamaw.*
- " Edward Reed, *Professor in the Diocesan Theological Seminary, Camden.*
- " John J. Roberts, *Rector of the Church of the Holy Cross, Claremont, Stateburg.*

The Rev. B. B. Sams, (Deacon) *Missionary officiating in Grace Church, Charleston.*

- “ J. J. Sams, *Rector of Trinity Church, Black Oak.*
- “ Joseph B. Seabrook, *Assistant Minister of Christ Church, Wilton, and Missionary to the Negroes in St. Paul's Parish.*
- “ Richard S. Seely, *officiating at Lexington C. H.*
- “ Peter J. Shand, *Rector of Trinity Church, Columbia.*
- “ James Stoney, M.D., *Rector of St. Luke's Parish.*
- “ J. W. Taylor, M.D., (Deacon) *Missionary at St. Mark's Church, Clarendon.*
- “ Paul Trapier, *Professor in the Diocesan Theological Seminary at Camden.*
- “ Richard S. Trapier, *Rector of St. John's Church, John's Island.*
- “ Edwin A. Wagner, *Rector of the Church of the Holy Apostles, Barnwell, and Missionary to Orangeburg.*
- “ C. Bruce Walker, *residing in Columbia.*
- “ Edward T. Walker, *Missionary to Negroes in Beaufort District.*
- “ Joseph R. Walker, D.D., *Rector of St. Helena's Church, Beaufort.*
- “ Cranmore Wallace, *Minister of St. Stephen's Chapel, Charleston.*
- “ J. V. Welch, (Deacon) *in the Parish of the Holy Trinity, Grahamville.*
- “ Arthur Wigfall, *Rector of the Church of the Holy Trinity, Grahamville.*

## CLERGY CANONICALLY CONNECTED WITH THE DIOCESE.

Bishop.....	1
Priests.....	65
Deacons.....	6
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Total.....	72

The following Clergymen were not present at the sessions of the Convention, viz :

The Rev. R. W. Barnwell,

“ J. G. Drayton,

“ C. F. Jones, D.D.,

“ M. H. Lance,

“ C. E. Leverett,

The Rev. J. W. Miles,

“ J. Obear,

“ Wm. T. Potter,

“ C. B. Walker,—9.

# LIST OF PARISHES AND CHURCHES

IN THE DIOCESE OF SOUTH-CAROLINA, WITH THE DATES OF  
THEIR FOUNDATION ANNEXED.

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1.	<i>St. Philip's</i> (original Church built 1681) <i>Parish,</i>	1704
2.	<i>St. James's</i> <i>Parish,</i> Santee,	1706 April 9
3	<i>St. Andrew's</i> “	1706 Nov. 30
4	<i>St. Bartholomew's</i> “	1706 ..
5	<i>Christ Church,</i> “	1706 ..
6	<i>St. James's</i> “ Goose Creek,	1706 ..
7	<i>St. John's</i> “ Berkley,	1706 ..
8	<i>St. Thomas &amp; St. Dennis's</i> “	1706 ..
9	<i>St. Paul's</i> “ Stono	1706 ..
10	<i>St. Helena's</i> “ Beaufort,	1712
11	<i>Prince George's</i> “ Winyaw,	1721
12	<i>St. John's</i> “ John's Island,	1734
12	<i>Prince Frederick's</i> “ 1734, Chapel Peedee,	1838
14	<i>Prince William's</i> “	1745
15	<i>St. Michael's</i> “ 1751, Church Built,	1761
16	<i>St. Mark's</i> “ Clarendon,	1757
17	<i>All-Saints'</i> “ Waccamaw,	1767
18	<i>St. Luke's</i> “	1767
19	<i>St. Matthew's</i> “	1768
20	<i>St. David's</i> “ 1768, Church, Cheraw,	1820
21	<i>Church on Edisto Island,</i>	1774
22	<i>Claremont Church,</i> Stateburg,	1788
22	<i>St. Helena's Church,</i> St. Helena Island,	
24	<i>Pineville &amp; Upper St. John's</i>	1807
25	<i>St. Paul's Ch., Radcliffeboro',</i> Charleston,	1810
26	<i>Trinity Church,</i> Columbia.	1812
27	<i>Grace Church,</i> Sullivan's Island,	1817
28	<i>St. Paul's Church,</i> Pendleton, about	1821
29	<i>Christ Church,</i> Greenville,	1825
30	<i>Grace Church,</i> Camden,	1830
31	<i>St. James's Church,</i> James Island,	1831
32	<i>St. Peter's Church,</i> Charleston,	1832
33	<i>Trinity Church,</i> Society Hill,	1833



34	<i>Christ Church,</i>	Wilton,	1834
35	<i>Holy Trinity Church,</i>	Grahamville,	1834
36	<i>Trinity Church,</i>	Edgefield,	1835
37	<i>St. John's Church,</i>	Fairfield,	1839
38	<i>St. Philip's Church,</i>	Bradford Springs,	1841
39	<i>Trinity Church,</i>	Abbeville,	1842
40	<i>Church of Messiah,</i>	North Santee,	1812
41	<i>Church of St. Thaddæus,</i>	Aiken,	1842
42	<i>Emmanuel Church,</i>	Chester,	1843
43	<i>Zion Church,</i>	Richland,	1844
44	<i>Church of the Epiphany,</i>	Laurens,	1846
45	<i>Grace Church,</i>	Charleston,	1846
46	<i>St. Luke's Church,</i>	Newberry,	1846
47	<i>Ascension Church,</i>	Gillisonville,	1847
48	<i>Church of the Advent,</i>	Spartanburg,	1847
49	<i>Ch. of the Holy Communion,</i>	Cans'bo., Charleston,	1848
50	<i>Church of the Holy Apostles,</i>	Barnwell,	1850
51	<i>Calvary Church,</i>	Glenn Springs,	1850
52	<i>Grace Church,</i>	Anderson C. H.,	1851
53	<i>Church of the Redeemer,</i>	Orangeburg C. H.	1851
54	<i>Christ Church,</i>	Charleston,	1855
55	<i>Church of the Mediætor,</i>	Columbia,	1855
56	<i>St. Jude's Church,</i>	Walterborough,	1856
57	<i>Christ Church,</i>	Mar's Bluff,	1856
58	<i>Trinity Church,</i>	Black Oak,	1856
59	<i>Church of the Good Shepherd,</i>	Yorkville,	1856
60	<i>St. Mark's Church,</i>	Chesterville,	1857
61	<i>Church of the Ascension,</i>		1857
62	<i>St. Luke's Church,</i>	Charleston,	1858
68	<i>Church of the Holy Comforter,</i>	Sumter,	1858
64	<i>St. John's Church,</i>	Richland,	1858
65	<i>Christ Church,</i>	Columbia,	1858
66	<i>Church of the Nativity,</i>	Unionville,	1859
67	<i>St. Peter's Church,</i>	Beaufort District,	1859

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## CONGREGATIONS

NOT ENTITLED TO A REPRESENTATION IN THE CONVENTION.

<i>St. Stephen's Chapel,</i>	Charleston,	1822,	} <i>Mission Congregations.</i>
<i>St. John's Chapel,</i>	Hamstead,	1839,	
<i>Calvary Church,</i>	Charleston,	1849,	



# LIST OF LAY DELEGATES

TO THE CONVENTION OF 1859.

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1. *St. Philip's Parish*, \*Edward McCrady, \*H. D. Lesesne, \*J. J. P. Smith, \*W. Alston Pringle.
  2. *St. James's Parish, Santee*, \*C. C. Pinckney, \*Frederick Rutledge, \*A. E. Gadsden.
  3. *St. Andrew's Parish*, \*W. B. Pringle, \*Dr. George Haig, \*John Hanckel, C. Kerrison.
  4. *St. Bartholomew's Parish*, \*Wm. Godfrey.
  5. *Christ Church Parish*, \*L. A. Edmondston, \*J. E. Dawson.
  6. *St. James, Goose Creek*.
  7. *St. John's, Berkley*.
  8. *St. Thomas and St. Dennis's*, James Rose, \*J. L. Nowell, A. Hunger, \*Alexander Robinson.
  9. *St. Paul's, Stono*.
  10. *St. Helena's, Beaufort*, H. M. Stuart, \*A. H. Seabrook, \*Allen Stuart.
  11. *Prince George's, Winyaw*, John F. Pyatt, \*A. J. Shaw, \*J. G. Henning, R. G. White.
  12. *St. John's, John's Island*, \*R. J. LaRoche, P. T. Gervais, W. E. Matthews, R. E. Jenkins.
  13. *Prince Frederick's Peedee*, \*R. F. W. Allston, \*A. H. Belin, James R. Sparkman, \*Col. Benjamin Allston.
  14. *Prince William's*.
  15. *St. Michael's*, \*Dr. I. M. Campbell, \*James M. Wilson, \*James L. Petigru, \*W. C. Courtney.
  16. *St. Mark's Clarendon*, R. C. Richardson, Brown Manning, D. St. P. DuBose, \*McNeily DuBose.
  17. *All Saints, Waccamaw*, \*P. C. J. Weston, W. A. Allston, \*J. Blythe Allston, \*W. A. H. Tucker.
  18. *St. Luke's*, \*W. G. Allen.
  19. *St. Matthew's*.
  20. *St. David's, Cheraw*, \*Wm. Godfrey, \*Dr. T. E. Powe, H. W. Harrington, \*J. J. Westervelt.
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\*Present.

21. *Church on Edisto Island.*
22. *Claremont Church, Stateburg,* Dr. W. W. Anderson, Dr. M. Reynolds, \*Dr. F. L. Green, \*J. S. Moore.
23. *St. Helena's Church, St. Helena's Island,* \*Thomas J. E. Fripp, Thomas G. White.
24. *Pineville and Upper St. John's,* \*W. Mazyck Porcher, \*Julius E. DuBose, \*Julius T. Porcher, \*John G. Gaillard.
25. *St. Paul's Radcliffboro', Charleston,* \*J. D. Aiken, \*Dr. W. T. Wragg, Robert Hume, J. F. Blacklock.
26. *Trinity Church Columbia,* \*Dr. Wm. Reynolds, \*E. H. Heinitsh, \*C. L. Goodwyn, \*Robert W. Gibbes. Sr.
27. *Grace Church, Sullivan's Island,* Wm. Jervey, \*W. E. Martin.
28. *St. Paul's Church, Pendleton,* R. S. Porcher, \*W. Allston Hayne, \*W. H. D. Gaillard, J. L. Shanklin.
29. *Christ Church, Greenville,* \*Wm Choice, \*Wm. H. Campbell, \*Dr. Croft, E. P. Jones.
30. *Grace Church, Camden,* \*A. H. Boykin, L. H. Deas, \*J. B. Kershaw, \*J. A. Young.
31. *St. James, James Island,* W. W. McLeod, \*C. H. Rivers.
32. *St. Peter's, Charleston,* \*Hon. W. F. Colcock, \*C. A. DeSaussure, B. S. Rhett, \*W. C. Bee.
33. *Trinity, Society Hill,* \*John N. Williams, \*W. H. Evans.
34. *Christ Church, Wilton,* \*Edward Barnwell, \*Richard LaRoche, \*Lewis Morris, J. C. Meggett.
35. *Holy Trinity, Grahamville,* \*John H. Howard, C. C. Dupont, \*Edward Lynah, James R. Stroblhart.
36. *Trinity Church, Edgefield,*
37. *St John's Fairfield,* E. G. Palmer, R. B. Boylston, C. McClenagan, \*Theodore S. DuBose.
38. *St. Philip's, Bradford Springs.*
39. *Trinity, Abbeville,* \*John A. Calhoun, \*J. Foster Marshall, W. A. Lee, L. H. Lamar.
40. *Messiah, North Santee,* \*James H. Ladson, R. J. Middleton, Andrew Johnston, J. R. Pringle.
41. *St. Thaddæus, Aiken,* Alexander Mazyck, C. B. Lucas, O. J. Chaffee.
42. *Emanuel, Chester.*
43. *Zion, Richland,* \*Thomas B. Clarkson, E. B. Heyward, J. O. H. Clarkson, \*Dr. J. S. Woodruff.
45. *Epiphany, Laurens,* \*J. W. Motte, B. R. Campbell.
46. *Grace, Charleston,* \*F. P. Elford, \*Lewis R. Gibbes, \*Wm. Whaley, \*C. G. Memminger.
47. *St. Luke's, Newberry.*

48. *Ascension, Gillisonville.*
49. *Advent, Spartanburg.*
50. *Holy Communion, Cannonsboro', Charleston, \*John Bryan, G. A. Trenholm, \*H. L. Toomer, \*B. G. Wilkins.*
51. *Holy Apostles', Barnwell, A. P. Aldrich, D. D. Hallonquist, Jas. Aldrich, W. M. Hunter.*
52. *Calvary Church, Glenn Springs, \*A. W. T. Simmons.*
53. *Grace Church, Anderson C. H.*
54. *Redeemer, Orangeburg.*
55. *Christ Church, Charleston, \*John Phillips, Edwin Heriot, \*R. H. Clarkson, \*T. A. Broughton.*
56. *Mediator, Columbia.*
57. *St. Jude's, Walterboro', \*M. E. Carn, O. P. Williams, John Lucas, Dr. Geo. M. Rivers.*
58. *Christ, Mar's Bluff, \*Robert Rodgers.*
59. *Trinity, Black Oak, \*John H. Porcher, \*J. DuBose Porcher.*
60. *Good Shepherd, Yorkville, \*Capt. A. Coward.*
61. *St. Mark's, Chesterville, A. F. Dunovant, George S. Cameron, James Pagan, S. E. Babcock.*
62. *Ascension.*
62. *St. Luke's Charleston, \*Dr. T. P. Green, \*Dr. John S. Mitchell, \*J. S. K. Bennett, \*C. J. Colcock.*
63. *Holy Comforter, Sumter, H. L. Darr, \*John Thompson, \*S. Mayrant, J. T. Bronson.*
64. *St. John's Richland, \*John B. Adams, J. H. Adams, Dr. W. Ray, \*Paul G. Chappell.*
65. *Christ, Columbia, R. H. Goodwyn, Wm. Wallace, J. H. Baldwin.*
66. *Church of the Nativity, Unionville, David Johnson, Col. T. N. Dawkins.*
67. *St. Peter's Church, Beaufort District.*



## MINUTES OF THE CONVENTION.

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*Charleston, S. C, May 11th, 1859.*

This being the day and place appointed by the last Convention, for the Seventieth Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of South-Carolina, a number of the Clergy and Laity assembled in St. Peter's Church at ten o'clock, A. M.

Morning prayer was commenced by the Rev. Dr. Hanckel, and continued to the end of the Lessons, the Bishop pronouncing the Absolution. The rest of the Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. C. C. Pinckney, Jr. The Ante-Communion Service was read by the Rt. Rev. Dr. Boone, Missionary Bishop of Shanghai, China. A sermon was then delivered by the Rev. C. P. Gadsden. The Communion Service was read by the Rev. Dr. Hanckel, the elements consecrated by Bishop Boone, who administered the elements, assisted by the Rev. Drs. Hanckel and Walker, and the Rev. Messrs. Shand and Pinckney.

The congregation was then dismissed with the Benediction by the Bishop.

After a recess, the Convention was called to order by the Bishop.

The names of the Clergy were called from the list prepared by the Bishop, and the following Clergymen answered to their names, viz :

The Rt. Rev. T. F. Davis, D.D.,	
The Rev. T. S. Arthur,	The Rev. W. B. W. Howe,
" E. E. Bellinger,	" J. Hunter,
" J. B. Campbell,	" P. G. Jenkins,
" A. H. Cornish,	" Benj. Johnson,
" J. H. Cornish,	" Wm. Johnson,
" T. F. Davis, Jr.	" J. S. Kidney,
" Wm. Dehon,	" P. T. Keith,
" Jas. H. Elliott,	" L. C. Lance,
" S. Elliott,	" E. C. Logan,
" C. P. Gadsden,	" T. N. Lucas,
" P. Gadsden,	" A. W. Marshall, D.D.,
" A. Glennie,	" J. D. McCollough,
" J. M. Green,	" D. McElheran,
" A. Gregg,	" A. Moore,
" B. E. Habersham,	" A. F. Olmsted,
" C. R. Hains,	" H. L. Phillips,
" C. Hanckel, D.D.	" C. C. Pinckney, Jr.,
" J. S. Hanckel,	" A. T. Porter,
" Wm. H. Hanckel,	" J. M. Pringle,



The Rev. J. H. Quinby,	The Rev. J. W. Taylor,
" E. Reed,	" P. Trapier,
" J. J. Roberts,	" E. A. Wagner,
" B. B. Sams,	" E. T. Walker,
" J. B. Seabrook,	" J. R. Walker, D.D.,
" R. S. Secly,	" C. Wallace,
" P. J. Shand,	" J. V. Welch,
" Jas. Stoney,	" A. Wigfall.

The list of Churches was called, and Delegates from the following Churches and Parishes answered, viz :

St. Philip's, Charleston ; St. James, Santee ; St. Andrew's ; St. Bartholomew's ; Christ Church ; St. Thomas and St. Dennis ; St. Helena, Beaufort ; Prince George, Winyaw ; St. John's, John's Island ; Prince Frederick's ; St. Michael's ; St. Mark's ; All-Saints' ; St. Luke's Parish ; St. David's ; Claremont ; St. Helena, St. Helena Island ; Pineville, &c. ; St. Paul's, Radcliffeboro' ; Trinity, Columbia ; Grace, Sullivan's Island ; St. Paul's, Pendleton ; Christ, Greenville ; Grace, Camden ; St. James, James Island ; St. Peter's, Charleston ; Trinity, Society Hill ; Christ, Wilton ; Holy Trinity, Grahamville ; St. John's Fairfield ; Trinity, Abbeville ; Messiah, N. Santee ; St. Thaddæus, Aiken ; Zion, Richland ; Epiphany, Laurens ; Grace, Charleston ; Holy Communion, Cannonsboro' ; Apostles, Barnwell ; Christ, Charleston ; St. Jude's, Walterboro' ; Trinity, Black Oak ; St. Luke's, Charleston ; Holy Comforter, Sumter ; Christ, Columbia.

A quorum was found present of both orders.

The Bishop appointed as the Committee on the List of the Clergy the Rev. Messrs. Keith, Pinckney and Stoney.

Also the Committee on the Certificates of Lay Delegates, Messrs John Hanckel, T. B. Clarkson, and Henning.

The Committee on the List of the Clergy made a Report, which, after they had by leave of Convention corrected it, read as follows, viz :

The Committee to whom was referred the List of the Clergy, beg leave to report—

1. That the following Clergymen are entitled to *all* the privileges of members of this Convention, viz :

The Rev. T. S. Arthur,	The Rev. T. J. Girardeau,
" E. E. Bellinger,	" A. Glennie,
" A. H. Cornish,	" J. M. Green,
" J. H. Cornish,	" A. Gregg,
" T. F. Davis, Jr.,	" B. E. Habersham,
" Wm. Dehon,	" C. Hanckel, D.D.,
" J. G. Drayton,	" J. S. Hanckel,
" J. H. Elliott,	" R. T. Howard,
" S. Elliott,	" Wm. B. W. Howe,
" J. R. Fell,	" J. Hunter,
" C. P. Gadsden,	" N. Hyatt,
" P. Gadsden,	" B. Johnson,



The Rev. Wm. Johnson,	The Rev. J. M. Pringle,
“ J. S. Kidney,	“ J. J. Roberts,
“ C. F. Jones, D.D.,	“ J. J. Sams,
“ P. T. Keith,	“ J. B. Seabrook,
“ L. C. Lance,	“ Peter J. Shand,
“ S. Mellichamp,	“ J. Stoney,
“ Augustus Moore,	“ R. S. Trapier,
“ A. F. Olmsted,	“ E. A. Wagner,
“ C. C. Pinckney, Jr.,	“ J. R. Walker, D.D.,
“ A. T. Porter,	“ A. Wigfall,
“ Wm. O. Prentiss,	

2. That the following are entitled to all the privileges of members of this Convention except the right to vote in matters involving the *temporal* concerns of the Churches, viz :

The Rev. R. W. Barnwell, Jr.	The Rev. H. L. Phillips,
“ Wm. H. Hanckel,	“ J. H. Quinby,
“ P. G. Jenkins,	“ B. B. Sams,
“ E. C. Logan,	“ J. W. Taylor,
“ T. N. Lucas,	“ E. T. Walker,
“ A. W. Marshall, D.D.,	“ C. Wallace,
“ J. D. McCollough,	“ J. V. Welch.

3. That the following are entitled to *seats*, but *not votes*, viz :

The Rev. C. R. Hains,	The Rev. R. P. Johnson,
“ R. S. Seely,	“ J. G. Downing.
“ C. B. Walker,	

4. That the following are entitled to neither seats nor votes, viz :

The Rev. J. B. Campbell,	The Rev. J. Obear,
“ M. H. Lance,	“ W. T. Potter,
“ C. E. Leverett,	“ D. McElheran,
“ J. W. Miles,	

They also reported two cases as seeming to them doubtful, viz : those of the Rev. Messrs. Trapier and Reed.

The Report was adopted.

The Committee on the Certificates of Lay Delegates reported as follows, viz :

The Committee on Certificates of Lay Delegates report the following gentlemen as entitled to seats in the Seventieth Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church of this Diocese.

*Trinity Church, Columbia*, \*Dr. Wm. Reynolds, \*Dr. E. H. Heinitsh, \*C. L. Goodwyn, R. W. Gibbes, Sr.

*St. Peter's, Charleston*, \*Hon. W. F. Colcock, \*C. A. DeSaussure, B. F. Rhett, \*W. C. Bee.

*St. John's, Richland*, \*Jno. P. Adams, J. H. Adams, D. W. Ray, \*Paul G. Chappell.

*Christ Church, Charleston*, John Phillips, Edwin Heriot, \*R. H. Clarkson, \*T. A. Broughton.

*St. Thomas and St. Dennis*, James Rose, \*J. L. Nowell, A. Huger, \*Alex. Robertson.

*Zion Church, Richland*, \*Thos. B. Clarkson, E. B. Heyward, J. O. H. Clarkson, \*Dr. J. S. Woodruff.

*Christ Church, Columbia*, R. H. Goodwyn, Wm. Wallace, \*J. H. Baldwin.

*Trinity Church, Society Hill*, John N. Williams, \*W. H. Evans.

*Grace Church, Charleston*, \*F. P. Elford, \*Lewis R. Gibbes, \*Wm. Whaley, \*C. G. Memminger.

*St. Paul's, Radcliffeboro'*, \*Jos. D. Aiken, John F. Blacklock, Dr. W. S. Wragg, Robt. Hume.

*St. James, Santec*, C. C. Pinckney, Frederick Rutledge, A. E. Gadsden, \*Wm. Mazyck.

*Christ Church, Mar's Bluff*, \*Robert Rodgers.

*St. David's, Cheraw*, \*Wm. Godfrey, \*Dr. T. E. Powe, \*H. W. Harrington, J. J. Westervelt.

*Pineville & Upper St. John's*, \*W. Mazyck Porcher, \*Julius E. DuBose, \*Julius T. Porcher, \*Jno G. Gaillard.

*Church of the Epiphany, Laurens*, \*J. W. Motte, B. R. Campbell.

*St. Luke's Parish*, W. G. Allen.

*Christ Church, Greenville*, \*Wm. Choice, \*Wm. H. Campbell, \*Dr. R. Croft, E. P. Jones.

*Trinity Abbeville*, \*John A. Calhoun, \*J. Foster Marshall, W. A. Lee, L. H. Lamar.

*Christ Church*, \*L. A. Edmonston, \*J. E. Dawson.

*Holy Communion, Charleston*, G. A. Trenholm, \*John Bryan, \*H. L. Toomer, \*B. G. Wilkins.

*St. Jude's, Walterboro'*, \*M. E. Carn, O. P. Williams, John Lucas, Dr. Geo. M. Rivers.

*St. Paul's, Pendleton*, R. S. Porcher, \*W. Allston Hayne, W. H. D. Gaillard, J. L. Shanklin.

*St. Luke's Charleston*, \*Dr. T. P. Green, Dr. John S. Mitchell, \*J. S. K. Bennett, \*C. J. Colecock.

*Christ Church, Wilton*, \*Edwd. Barnwell, \*Richard LaRoche, Lewis Morris, J. C. Meggett.

*St. Helena, Beaufort*, H. M. Stuart, \*A. H. Seabrook, \*Allen Stuart.

*Prince George's, Winyaw*, John F. Pyatt, \*A. J. Shaw, \*J. G. Henning, R. G. White.

*Prince Frederick, Peedee*, \*R. F. W. Allston, \*A. H. Belin, \*James R. Sparkman, \*Col. Benj. Allston.

*Holy Apostles, Barnwell*, A. P. Aldrich, D. D. Hallonquist, James Aldrich, W. M. Hunter.

*St. John's, John's Island*, \*R. J. LaRoche, P. T. Gervais, W. E. Mathews, R. E. Jenkins.

*St. Mark's, Chester*, A. F. Dunnivant, Geo. S. Cameron, Jas. Pagan, S. E. Babcock.

*Church Holy Trinity, Grahamville*, \*Jno. H. Howard, C. C. Dupont, Jas. R. Strobhart, \*Edw'd. Lynah.

*St. Thaddæus, Aiken*, Alex. Mazyck, C. B. Lucas, O. J. Chaffee.

*Church of Messiah, North Santee*, Jas. H. Ladson, R. J. Middleton, Andrew Johnstone, J. R. Pringle.

*St. Bartholomew's Parish*, \*Wm. Godfrey.

*All-Saints, Waccamaw*, \*P. C. J. Weston, \*W. A. Allston, \*J. Blythe Allston, \*W. A. Hyrne Tucker.

*St. James, James Island*, W. W. McLeod, \*C. H. Rivers.

*St. Mark's Clarendon*, D. St. P. DuBose, R. C. Richardson, Brown Manning, \*McNeily DuBose.

*Grace Church, Camden*, \*A. H. Boykin, L. H. Deas, J. B. Ker-shaw, \*J. A. Young.

*St. Andrew's Parish*, W. B. Pringle, \*Dr. Geo. Haig, \*Jno. Hanckel, Chas. Kerrison.

*St. John's and St. Stephen's, Fairfield*, E. G. Palmer, R. B. Boylston, C. McClenagan, \*Theo. S. DuBose.

*Trinity, Black Oak*, \*John H. Porcher, \*J. DuBose Porcher.

*Church Holy Comforter, Sumter*, H. L. Darr, John Thompson, \*S. Mayrant, J. T. Bronson.

*St. Helena, St. Helena's Island*, \*Thos. J. E. Fripp, Thos. G. White.

*Grace Church, Sullivan's Island*, Wm. Jervay, \*W. E. Martin.

*St. Philip's Charleston*, Edw'd. McCrady, \*H. D. Lesesne, \*J. J. P. Smith, \*W. Alston Pringle.

*Claremont Church, Stateburgh*, Dr. W. W. Anderson, Dr. F. L. Green, \*J. S. Moore, Dr. M. Reynolds.

JNO. HANCKEL,  
THOMAS B. CLARKSON, } *Committee.*  
J. G. HENNING.

The following gentlemen answered to their names :

*Trinity Columbia*, Dr. Reynolds, E. L. Goodwyn, Dr. Heinitsh.

*St. Peter's, Charleston*, Hon. W. F. Colcock, C. A. DeSaussure, W. C. Bee, St. John P. Adams, Paul G. Chappelle.

*Christ Church, Charleston*, R. H. Clarkson, T. Alex. Broughton.

*St. Thomas and St. Dennis's*, J. L. Nowell, Alex. Robertson.

*Zion Church, Richland*, Thos. B. Clarkson, Dr. J. S. Woodruff.

*Christ Church, Columbia*, J. H. Baldwin.

*Trinity Church, Society Hill*, W. H. Evans.

*Grace Church, Charleston*, F. P. Elford, Lewis R. Gibbes, Wm. Whaley, C. G. Memminger.

- St. Paul's Radcliffboro'*, Jos. D. Aiken.  
*St. James, Santee*, Wm. Mazyek.  
*Christ Church, Mar's Bluff*, Robert Rodgers.  
*St. David's, Cheraw*, Wm. Godfrey, Dr. Thos. E. Powe, J. J. Westervelt.  
*Pineville and Upper St. John's*, Wm. Mazyek Porcher, Julius E. DuBose, Dr. Julius T. Porcher, John G. Gaillard.  
*Epiphany, Laurens*, J. W. Motte.  
*Christ Church, Greenville*, Wm. Choice, W. H. Campbell, Dr. R. Croft.  
*Trinity, Abbeville*, John A. Calhoun, J. Foster Marshall.  
*Christ Church Parish*, L. A. Edmondston, J. E. Dawson.  
*Holy Communion, Charleston*, John Bryan, H. L. Toomer, B. G. Wilkins.  
*St. Jude's, Walterboro'*, M. E. Carn.  
*St. Paul's, Pendleton*, W. Alston Hayne.  
*St. Luke's Charleston*, Dr. T. P. Green, J. S. K. Bennett, C. J. Colcock.  
*St. Michael's, Charleston*, Dr. I. M. Campbell, Jas. M. Wilson, W. C. Courtney.  
*Christ Church, Wilton*, Edward Barnwell, Richard LaRoche.  
*St. Helena's, Beaufort*, A. H. Seabrook, Allen Stuart.  
*Prince George's, Winjaw*, A. J. Shaw, J. G. Henning.  
*Prince Frederick's Peedee*, R. F. W. Allston, A. H. Belin, Dr. Jas. R. Sparkman, Benj. Allston.  
*St. John's, John's Island*, R. J. LaRoche.  
*Holy Trinity, Grahamville*, John H. Howard, Edward Lynah.  
*St. Thaddaeus, Aiken*, O. J. Chaffee.  
*Messiah, N. Santee*, Jas. H. Ladson.  
*St. Bartholomew's Parish*, Wm. Godfrey.  
*All Saints, Waccamaw*, P. C. J. Weston, J. Blythe Alston, W. A. Allston, W. A. Hyrne Tucker.  
*St. James, James Island*, C. H. Rivers.  
*St. Mark's, Clarendon*, McNeily DuBose.  
*Grace Church, Camden*, A. H. Boykin, J. A. Young.  
*St. Andrew's Parish*, Dr. Geo. Haig, John Hanckel.  
*St. John's, Fairfield*, Theo. S. Dubose.  
*Trinity, Black Oak*, John H. Porcher, J. DuBose Porcher.  
*Holy Comforter, Sumter*, S. Mayrant.  
*St. Helena, St. Helena Island*, Thos. J. E. Fripp.  
*Grace Church, Sullivan's Island*, W. E. Martin.  
*St. Philip's Charleston*, H. D. Lesesne, J. J. P. Smith, W. Alston Pringle.  
*Claumont, Stateburg*, J. S. Moore.

A quorum of both orders being found present, the Bishop declared the Convention duly organized.

The case of the Rev. T. Trapier being called, his name was directed to be placed in list No. 2. That of the Rev. E. Reed being taken up, his name was placed in list No. 1.



On motion, the reading of the Rules of Order was dispensed with.

On motion of the Rev. E. Reed, the ballot for a Secretary was dispensed with, and the Rev. C. Wallace, on nomination, re-elected Secretary.

The Secretary re-appointed the Rev. Wm. H. Hanckel his assistant.

The Bishop appointed the

Committee on Applications of Churches, viz : The Rev. Messrs. P. Trapier, Pinckney and J. H. Elliott.

Also, the Committee on Unfinished Business; the Rev. J. S. Hanckel, Messrs. Julius Porcher and Dr. J. A. Young.

Also, the Committee on Finance; Messrs. Blacklock, Bee and Martin.

Also, Preacher on the first day of the next Convention; the Rev. E. A. Wagner, and alternate, the Rev. J. S. Hanckel.

The Standing Committee reported as follows :

The Standing Committee, of the Diocese of South Carolina, respectfully report, that since the meeting of the last Diocesan Convention, they have consented to the consecration of the Rev. Samuel Bowman, D.D., as Assistant Bishop in the Diocese of Pennsylvania. They have recommended to the Bishop for Priest's Orders, the Rev. J. Merceir Green, for Deacon's Orders, Thomas C. Evans, and as candidates for Deacons' Orders, Mr. Joseph E. Glover, Edmund J. Webb, and Walter C. Guerry.

They also report that, on the 28th of June, 1858, the Standing Committee were authorized by the Bishop, according to Canon III. of 1853, to act as the Ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese during his absence from the United States, and that under this authority they received Joseph E. Glover and Edward J. Webb as candidates for Deacon's Orders.

CH. HANCKEL,

*President Standing Committee.*

Applications of St. Peter's Church, Beaufort District, and the Church of the Nativity, Unionville, for reception into the Convention, were received and referred to the Committee.

The following Clergymen, belonging to other Dioceses, were present, under the 23d Rule of Order, viz : the Rt. Rev. W. J. Boone, D. D., Missionary Bishop to Shanghai, China; the Rev. Jas. T. Hutcheson, of Louisiana, officiating at St. Helena Church, St. Helena Island, South Carolina; the Rev. O. P. Thackara, of St. Augustine, Florida; the Rev. L. C. Newman, of Philadelphia, Penn.

Also, Mr. John Elliott, a candidate for Holy Orders in this Diocese.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Davis, after prayers by the President, the Convention adjourned to 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

C. WALLACE, *Secretary.*

*St. Peter's Church, Charleston, Thursday, May 12th, 1859.*

The Convention met according to adjournment. Morning prayer to the creed was said by the Rev. A. H. Cornish, and concluded by the Rev. T. C. Girardeau, the absolution and benediction being pronounced by the Bishop.

After a recess, the Convention was called to order by the Bishop.

The roll was called, and a quorum of both orders found present.

The Minutes of yesterday were read and amended.

The names of members absent, yesterday, were called.

The Rev. Messrs. Fell, Girardeau, Hyatt, Mellichamp, Prentiss, J. J. Sams and R. S. Trapier appeared and took their seats.

The following Lay Delegates also appeared and took their seats viz :

*St. Philip's, Charleston*, Edward McCrady.

*St. James's, Santee*, C. C. Pinckney, Frederick Rutledge.

*Prince George's, Win yaw*, John F. Pyatt, R. G. White.

*St. Michael's, Charleston*, James L. Petigru.

*St. David's, Cheraw*, H. W. Harrington.

*Claremont, Stateburg*, Dr. F. L. Green.

*St. Helena, St. Helena Island*, Thomas J. E. Fripp.

*St. Paul's, Radcliffboro'*, Dr. W. T. Wragg.

*Trinity Church, Columbia*, Dr. Robert W. Gibbes, Sr.

*St. Paul's Church, Pendleton*, W. H. D. Gaillard.

*Christ Church, Charleston*, John Phillips.

*St. Luke's Church, Charleston*, Dr. John S. Mitchell.

*Grace Church Camden*, J. B. Kershaw.

The Committee on Certificates of Lay Delegates reported the following additions to the Lay Delegates entitled to seats in the Convention.

*Church of the Good Shepherd, Yorkville*, Capt. A. Coward.

*Calvary Church, Glenn Springs*, Dr. J. Winnsmith and A. W. T. Simmons.

*Holy Comforter, Sumter*, B. Mitchell, in place of J. T. Bronson.

Of the above, Messrs. Coward, Simmons and Mitchell appeared and took their seats.

The Bishop's Address was then read by the Rev. T. F. Davis, Jr.

*Brethren of the Convention :*

We have met together once more, by God's gracious blessing, to take counsel for the glory of His name, and for the good of His Church. Let our hearts be united in prayer to Him for His guidance and direction in our labors.



The reports of my own work for the past Conventional year, will be briefer than usual. Immediately after the session of our last Convention, I felt it to be my duty to take into earnest and prayerful consideration the affectionate request of my brethren, that I should go abroad for the benefit of my health. Upon careful reflection, I decided to go; and therefore left home for Europe on the 30th of June, of last year, and did not return until December 2d. I desire to express my gratitude to God, and my fraternal obligations to you, for the privilege of visiting the most civilized and interesting portions of the Christian world, and for whatever benefits may have thence resulted to my health.

I now present you a report of my official acts, since we last met.

1858. June 13, Sunday. In Christ Church, Greenville, in the forenoon, divine service was held, and Rev. Mr. Kidney preached. Afternoon, Rev. Mr. Wallace preached. At night, Rev. Mr. Denison preached; I lectured on Confirmation, and admitted to that rite sixteen whites and one colored person.

In December, soon after my return home, I visited Charleston, for the purpose of meeting my brethren once more, and informing myself of the state of the Diocese. At this time I did not perform any Episcopal acts, not having had time to give the necessary notices. On Sunday, December 19th, I preached in the Church of the Holy Communion in the forenoon, and in St. Paul's Church in the afternoon.

1859. Sunday, January 23. Forenoon, in Christ Church, Charleston, preached, and confirmed four white persons. Afternoon, in St. John's Chapel, preached, and confirmed fifteen whites and eighteen colored persons.

Jan. 24. Tuesday. Forenoon, in Grace Church, Charleston, ordained Rev. J. Mercier Green Priest; Rev. C. P. Gadsden preaching the sermon.

Jan. 27, Wednesday. At night, in St. Luke's Church, Charleston, preached, and confirmed nine whites, one of whom was of St. Michael's congregation; also one colored person.

Jan. 28, Friday. At night in St. Andrew's Parish, service in Magnolia Chapel; Rev. Messrs. J. H. Elliott, C. P. Gadsden and J. M. Pringle addressing the congregation.

Jan. 30, Sunday. In the same parish, forenoon, preached in St. Andrew's Church; noon, preached in Magwood Chapel; afternoon, preached at Magnolia Chapel, and confirmed two colored persons.

Feb. 6, Sunday. Ascension Church, Combahee; forenoon, preached, and consecrated the new Church edifice, Rev. Messrs.

S. Elliott, Leverett and Potter assisting. Afternoon, at the Chapel of the Rev. Stephen Elliott, preached, and confirmed sixteen colored persons.

Feb. 13, Sunday. Forenoon, preached in St. Michael's Church, Charleston, on the subject of the Diocesan Theological Seminary. Afternoon, preached in the Church of the Holy Communion, and confirmed six whites and four colored persons. At night, a meeting was held in Grace Church, and addresses were delivered by Rev. Dr. Andrews of Virginia, and Rev. Messrs. Trapier, Reed, Gadsden, and myself, in behalf of our Diocesan Seminary.

Feb. 18, Friday. Forenoon, consecrated the Church of the Holy Comforter, Sumter, Rev. P. Trapier preaching the sermon. Present, also, the Rev. Messrs. Gregg, Moore, Phillips, Roberts, Taylor, Wagner and Davis. At night, divine service was held, and the Rev. Mr. Gregg preached.

Feb. 19, Saturday. Forenoon, service, Rev. J. W. Taylor preaching. At night, Rev. Mr. Wagner preached.

Feb. 20, Sunday. Forenoon, I preached in the Church in Sumter, and confirmed three whites. Afternoon, Rev. Mr. Wagner preached; I confirmed, in private, one white person.

Feb. 21, Monday. At night, in the Church of the Redeemer, Orangeburg, service was held; Rev. Mr. Davis preached, and I confirmed five whites.

Feb. 22, Tuesday. Forenoon, divine service, Rev. Mr. Davis preaching. The Holy Communion was also administered.

Feb. 27, Sunday. Forenoon, in St. Mark's Church, Clarendon, preached, administered the Holy Communion, and confirmed eight whites and four colored persons; Rev. Mr. Taylor reading the morning service.

Feb. 28, Monday. At night, on the plantation of Ex-Governor Richardson, attended catechizing of colored people, and addressed them. The catechist here, Mr. Anderson, seems to have been quite faithful in the discharge of his duties, and the negroes appear to take deep interest in the instructions given them, and make their answers very satisfactorily.

March 6, Sunday. Forenoon, in Grace Church, Camden, preached, and confirmed seven whites. Afternoon, in private, confirmed one sick colored person.

March 19, Saturday. In the Parish of St. Thomas and St. Dennis; forenoon, preached in the Chapel.

March 20, Sunday. Forenoon, preached in the Parish Church, and confirmed three whites. Evening, preached on the plantation of Dr. O'Hear, to the colored people.

March 21, Monday. Preached at the plantation of Mr.

George Trenholm, a large congregation of colored persons attending.

March 26, Saturday. At night, in Christ Church Parish on the plantation of Mr. Daniel Lesesne, preached, and confirmed eight colored persons.

March 27, Sunday. Forenoon; preached in the Parish Church, and confirmed twenty-one colored persons. Afternoon, preached in St. Andrew's Chapel, Mount Pleasant.

April 3, Sunday. Forenoon, preached in Grace Church, Charleston, and confirmed eighteen whites. Afternoon, preached in St. Paul's Church, and confirmed five whites and seven colored persons.

April 8, Friday. In Prince George's Parish, Winyaw; forenoon, preached, and confirmed four white persons and one colored.

April 9, Saturday. Divine service. Rev. Mr. Wallace preaching.

April 10, Sunday. Prince Frederick Parish, Pee Dee; in the morning, Rev. Mr. Wallace preached to the negroes on the plantation of Mr. Benjamin Allston. At the usual hour of forenoon service, I preached in the Parish Church, and confirmed two white persons. Afternoon, at one of the plantations of Ex-Governor Allston, divine service was held, and the Rev. Mr. Wallace and myself addressed the large congregation of colored people present.

April 11, Monday. At the customary hour of forenoon service, the Rev. Mr. Wallace preached in the Parish Church. At night, service was held at the residence of Ex-Governor Allston, and Rev. Mr. Wallace preached.

April 12, Tuesday. I preached in the forenoon in the Parish Church. Present, of the Clergy, the Rev. Messrs. Glenzie, Hunter, Wallace, Lance, and Quinby.

April 13, Wednesday. In the Parish of All-Saints, Waccamaw; at night, service was held at the plantation of Mr. Plowden Weston. Rev. Mr. Wallace preached, and I confirmed twenty-five colored persons, a very numerous congregation of whom were present on the occasion.

April 14, Thursday. At night, divine service was held on the plantation of Messrs. Joseph and William Allston; and I preached.

April 15, Friday. Forenoon, I consecrated to the worship of Almighty God the Church of St. John the Evangelist, in the upper part of All-Saints' Parish; Rev. Mr. Wallace preaching. Also, I confirmed twenty-three colored persons. At night, on the plantation of Mr. Tucker, I preached, and confirmed twenty-three colored persons.

April 16, Saturday. Service was held on the plantation of Dr. Hasell; and Rev. Mr. Wallace preached.

April 17, Sunday. Forenoon, divine service was held in Parish Church, and I preached. I also made a brief address on the subject of our Diocesan Theological Seminary, which was most liberally responded to, by one of the gentlemen of the Parish.

There were present with me, and assisting, in these repeated services in All-Saints' Parish, the following Clergy; viz: the Rev. Messrs. Glennie, Wallace, Lance, Quinby; and also, on the occasion of the consecration as above, the Rev. Mr. Hunter.

In the afternoon of this day, a service was held on the plantation of Mr. Ward; and the Rev. Mr. Wallace preached.

April 22, Good Friday. Attended the services in St. Michael's Church, Charleston.

April 24, Easter-day. Forenoon, in St. John's Church, John's Island, I preached and confirmed one white person, and forty-seven colored. At night, in the Chapel on Wadmalaw, I preached and confirmed three whites, and nineteen colored persons. This congregation, composed principally of colored people, has been gathered by the faithful ministrations of the Rev. P. Gervais Jenkins, whose zealous interest in the flock promises still farther success.

May 1, Sunday. Edisto Island; in the forenoon, I preached in the Parish Church, and confirmed four whites, and fifty-eight colored persons.

May 8, Sunday. In St. Philip's Church, Charleston, I confirmed seven whites, and two colored persons; and addressed them briefly upon their religious obligations. The Rev. Benj. Johnson preached to the congregation in behalf of the Church in Abbeville. Afternoon, in St. Luke's Church, I preached; and confirmed three whites and five colored persons.

May 11, Wednesday. I confirmed in private one sick colored person, belonging to the congregation of St. John's Chapel, Charleston.

The whole number of persons confirmed since the last Convention is, white, 124; colored 287; in all, 411.

I have ordained to Priest's Orders, the Rev. J. Mercier Green, There are now nine Candidates for Orders in the Diocese: Messrs. C. E. Leverett, Thomas C. Evans, Henry M. Parker, LeGrand F. Guerry, John H. Elliott, P. F. Stevens, Joseph E. Glover, Edward J. Webb, and Walter C. Guerry.

I have received notice of the deposition from the Ministry, of Calvin McGuffie, of Mississippi, under Canon V. of 1850.



I have received into the Diocese, the Rev. R. P. Johnson, and the Rev Claudius R. Hains, from Virginia; and the Rev. J. G. Downing, from Tennessee.

I have consecrated the following Churches: Ascension Church, Combahee; Church of the Holy Comforter, Sumter; and Church of St. John the Evangelist, All-Saints' Parish, Waccamaw.

We have all suffered a heavy loss, during the past year, in the death of our lamented and beloved brother, the Rev. Henry M. Denison. Singularly frank in disposition, independent in action, and original in mental power; he stood out among his fellows, as no ordinary man. The strong impression which he has left upon the minds of those who knew him here, will not soon be obliterated. He yielded up his life as a faithful soldier of the Cross of Christ. His memory is fresh and precious to us. May it lead us all to a more faithful consideration of our ministerial obligations; and unite us more closely and firmly in the bonds of Christian sympathy and fellowship.

As to our Diocesan Theological Seminary, I need say but few words. The subject has, in various ways, been put before the members of our Church, during the past year; and will also be more fully presented to you, in the report of the Board of Trustees. Permit me, however, to give my very sincere testimony to the faithfulness of the Professors, thus far in its history; and to its entire success in meeting our expectations. I consider it established, that the institution can be carried on effectively upon its present basis; and I am more and more convinced of its almost absolute necessity to the Diocese. This cannot appear so strongly, to the minds of those who are not intimately acquainted with the practical affairs of the Diocese, as it does to my own. My office demands of me, to inquire closely into, and reflect much upon, this department of my duties. It has therefore long been to me the subject of much thought, how Candidates for Orders can be best trained for the work of the Ministry among us; so as to meet satisfactorily our continual recurring necessities. Many reasons, which I need not now repeat, indicate that our only efficient mode is a preparation of the Candidates within our own State. I should consider it a sad blow to the Missionary prospects of the Church, should the labors of the Seminary be stopped, or lessened. Permit me therefore, brethren, very earnestly to commend it to your kind regards, and sustaining influence.

The affairs of the University of the South, are still in progress. Collections have been made under the active efforts of Bishops Elliott and Polk; and, as I am informed, have been

crowned with much success. As soon as the requisite amount for commencing operations shall have been received, it is expected that the buildings will be erected, on the site already selected. I cordially wish success to this scheme; and hope it will be liberally responded to, when application shall be made among ourselves. You will be called upon, in due course, to elect Trustees for the ensuing year, for this institution.

Account of Missionary funds in the Bishop's hands: Remaining over from the last Convention, \$382.61. Received since that time, from Prince Frederick's, Pedee, \$40; Walterboro', \$38; Spartanburg, \$4.35; Beaufort, \$37.21; Grace Church, Charleston, \$10.35; All-Saints', Waccamaw, \$40; St. Philip's, Charleston, 64.75; Camden, \$170; St. Mark's, Clarendon, \$7.50; Edisto, \$50; St. Paul's, Charleston, \$44.64; Advancement Society, \$300; in all \$1189.41. I have also received from Rev. Dr. Walker, for Theological education in the Diocese, \$40.

Expended, of Missionary funds, since the last Convention: Rev. Mr. McCollough, \$70.40; Rev. A. Moore, \$50; Rev. Mr. Wagner, \$200; Rev. Mr. Seely, \$100; Rev. Mr. Lucas, \$100; Church Building in Sumter, \$50; Christ Church, Columbia, \$50; in all, \$620.40: leaving in my hands, \$569.01.

I have also aided in the support of a Candidate for Orders, to the amount of the contribution mentioned above, \$40.

And now, beloved brethren, I commend you and your deliberations to God, and to the Word of His Grace, praying that the Holy Spirit may be with us, and lead us into all love and truth.

As to myself, my present condition calls me to a simple and entire dependence upon the mercies of God. I know not what the future will be. My medical advisers give me a reasonable hope, that under the blessing of God, my vision may be restored by the interposition of their professional skill. If so, the difficulty will be removed. If not, I trust to be enabled, through God's grace, cheerfully and entirely to yield myself to His will. And permit me to assure you, that I shall then cordially acquiesce in any measures which may be deemed best for the good of the Church; which only I shall ever seek.

In conclusion, let me earnestly and affectionately solicit your prayers to Almighty God, for His help and grace to me in body and soul.

THOS. F. DAVIS.

The following letter was laid before the Convention by the President.



CHARLESTON, May 12, 1859.

*The Rt. Rev. Bishop Davis, President of  
Episcopal Church Convention :*

Rt. Rev. and Dear Sir: In behalf of the Commissioners of Free Schools, I respectfully invite any of the members of the Convention who may desire to visit the Public Schools, to attend at the school house in St. Philip's street, near George street, to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

Very respectfully, your ob't. servant,

C. G. MEMMINGER,

*Chairman of the Board.*

On motion of the Rev. Paul Trapier,

*Resolved*, That the thanks of this Convention be returned to Mr. Memminger for his courteous invitation to the members of this Convention to attend at the Public School to-morrow morning.

The following letter was received :

CHARLESTON, May 9th, 1859.

The members of the Convention of the Episcopal Church, now in session in this city, are respectfully invited to visit the gallery of the Carolina Art Association whenever it may be convenient to them. The invitation extends to the members of their families that may be with them.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. TAYLOR,

*Treasurer of the Carolina Art Association.*

And the following notice, given by request :

The Clergy and Lay Delegates to the Convention are respectfully invited to attend the ceremony of the laying of the corner-stone of St. Luke's Church, at the corner of Elizabeth and Charlotte streets, this afternoon at 5 o'clock.

The Committee on Reception of Churches reported as follows :

The Committee on Applications of New Churches report, that application for admission into union with this Convention, have been received from

The Church of the Nativity, Unionville, and

St. Peter's Church, Beaufort District ;

All the requirements, for such cases provided, having been conformed to in both instances. it is recommended that the two churches above named be accordingly admitted.

In behalf of the Committee,

PAUL TRAPIER, *Chairman.*

On motion,

*Resolved*, That the *Church of the Nativity*, Unionville, and *St. Peter's Church*, Beaufort District, be received into union with this Convention.

The election of a Standing Committee was ordered.

The Bishop appointed, as Tellers of the Clerical vote, the Rev. E. A. Wagner, and the Rev. J. H. Cornish; and as tellers of the Lay vote, Messrs. Kershaw and McN. DuBose.

While the votes were being counted, the Committee on Finance reported as follows :

The Committee on Finance respectfully report, that the "Bishop's Convention Fund" having, since the last Convention, been merged in that of the "Bishop's Permanent Fund," their examination has been confined to the accounts of the Treasurer of the Convention, which they find correct and properly vouched. The account exhibits a balance due the Treasurer of twenty-four dollars.

Annexed to the report of the Treasurer, the Committee find a statement of existing liabilities of the Convention (including the balance due the Treasurer) of one hundred and ninety-four dollars, and prospective liabilities, amounting to one hundred and forty-four dollars for which no provision exists.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM C. BEE,  
*Committee on Finance.*

Charleston, 12th May, 1859.

The report was adopted.

On motion of the Secretary,

*Resolved*, That the report of the Treasurer be referred to the Committee on Finance, with instructions to report to this Convention some means of meeting the deficiency in the income of the Convention for the present year.

The Committee on the Certificates of Lay Delegates reported the following gentlemen as elected to represent the new

*Church of the Nativity*, Unionville, viz : David Johnson and Col. T. N. Dawkins ; Mr. Johnson was present.

The Treasurer of the Bishop's Funds reported as follows :

DR. *Bishop's Common Fund, in account with JOHN HANCKEL, Treasurer.* CR.

1858.		1858.	
To paid the Bishop of the Diocese four quarters' salary.....	\$3,625 00	By Balance from last year.....	\$888 29
" paid the Right Rev. T. F. Davis amount appropriated by the Convention for his travelling expenses.....	1,200 00	" Cash received from Quotas from the following Churches:	
" Incidental expenses.....	176 68	All-Saints, Waccamaw, for 1857 and 1858,	100 00
		St. Thomas and St. Dennis.....	20 00
		St. Paul's Church, Radcliffeboro',.....	150 00
		Grace Church, Sullivan's Island.....	5 00
		Prince Frederick's, Peedee.....	10 00
		Grace Church, Charleston, on account...	53 66
		Trinity Church, Society Hill.....	10 00
		St. Paul's Church, Stono.....	5 00
		Christ Church, Wilton.....	15 00
		Church of the Advent, Spartanburg.....	5 00
		St. Luke's Parish.....	15 00
		St. Bartholomew's.....	25 00
		Trinity Church, Edgefield.....	5 00
		Church Redeemer, Orangeburg.....	5 00
		St. Helena Church, Beaufort.....	35 00
		Holy Apostles, Barnwell.....	5 00
		St David's, Cheraw.....	10 00
		Church Holy Cross, Claremont.....	20 00
		St. Paul's, Pendleton.....	10 00
		Church Holy Communion.....	10 00
		Pineville and Upper St. John's.....	20 00
		Grace Church, Camden.....	30 00
		St. Michael's, Charleston.....	300 00
			5 00
		St. Peter's, Charleston.....	150 00
		St. John's, Berkley.....	50 00
		St. John's, John's Island.....	50 00
		Church at Edisto.....	50 00
		Prince William's.....	10 00
		Christ Church.....	5 00
		St. Philip's, Charleston.....	250 00
		Total from Churches.....	\$ 1,433 66
		By Cash received for subscriptions to the Bishop's salary.....	2,050 00
		By transfer from Bishop's Permanent Fund.....	629 73
	\$5,001 68		\$5,001 68

DR. *The Bishop's Permanent Fund in account with JOHN HANCKEL, Treasurer.* CR.

1858.		1858.	
To Investments.....	\$1,633 50	By Balance from last year....	\$ 75 16
" Incidental Expenses.....	177 60	" Balance of Bishop's Convention Fund transferred,	47
" Amount transferred to Bishop's Common Fund.....	629 73	" Interest and Dividends....	3,527 15
" Balance in the Treasurer's hands.....	1,186 95	" Subscription.....	25
	\$3,627 78		\$3,627 78

JOHN HANCKEL, *Treasurer.*

The report was adopted.

The Committee on Unfinished Business reported as follows :

The Committee on Unfinished Business find on the pages of the Journal and beg leave to report the following items laid over to this Convention.

On p. 19, of Journal, the resolutions of Rev. A. Wigfall, regarding the Marriage of Slaves.

On p. 33, report on the Incorporation of Churches, first made in 1856, and postponed to this Convention. And

On page 41, in connection with this report, Rev. Mr. Arthur's substitute for the act of incorporation proposed by the Committee.

On p. 38, a Constitution and Rules for the government of the Diocesan Seminary to be prepared by the Board of Trustees, called for by the 7th resolution respecting the Seminary.

Respectfully submitted.

J. S. HANCKEL,  
JULIUS T. PORCHER,  
J. A. YOUNG.

May 12, 1859.

The report was adopted.

The Committee appointed, last year, on the resolutions of the Rev. Mr. Wigfall, reported as follows :

The Committee appointed by the Convention to consider and report under what circumstances a clergyman may unite slaves in marriage, respectfully submit the following report :

In the Diocese of South Carolina, the relation of husband and wife has always been regarded with the highest favor. The municipal law has added its sanction to the precepts of the divine law, and has steadfastly refused to set aside the marriage contract for any cause whatsoever. A marriage solemnized in South Carolina, protects the wife from all possible contingencies, and there is no instance on record in this State of a legal divorce. The security of the wife, and the peace of families, have presented to the State reasons which have caused its policy to conform to the rule of that portion of the ancient Church which refused its sanction to any second marriage in the life-time of the married parties. With this high estimate of the marriage relation before us as citizens, we are now called upon as Christians, to inquire into the nature of the marriage relation between slaves.

The first question which naturally presents itself is, whether as a Church founded upon the apostles and prophets, with Jesus Christ as the corner stone, we can see any difference in the marriage institution as affecting the master and as affecting the slave.

We have the authority of the Great Head of the Church for declaring that the marriage relation is a part of the original constitution of man, when God made them at the beginning, male and female. For this cause, He declares "that a man shall leave father and mother, and shall cleave to his wife, and they twain shall, be one flesh. Wherefore" he expressly enjoins "that what God hath thus joined together, man shall not put asunder." Every descendant of the first pair of hu-



man beings is evidently included in this statement, and it follows that the marriage relation between slaves has the same divine obligation as that between masters and mistresses. It follows, with equal clearness, that the injunction, that no man shall put asunder husband and wife, is as universal in extent as the marriage relation itself. The duty of every Christian master is thus ascertained with the certainty which attaches to divine precepts. He is bound to preserve inviolate the marriage tie between his slaves, and to prevent, as far as in him lies, the separation of husband and wife.

Your Committee believe that the Christian community in the Diocese recognizes this obligation, and endeavors to fulfill it; and that the separations which occur are either sought by the married parties themselves, or are brought about by circumstances beyond the control of the master or the slave.

The State has deemed it wise and expedient to vest in the master absolute authority over the slave. Other relations demand a similar delegation of power, because of the impossibility of defining precisely its limits. The child is subjected to the discretionary power of the parent; the wife is under the authority of the husband; and in the case of the slave, it would be still more inexpedient and unwise to attempt to define the modes in which the master's discretion should be exercised. A Christian master will, of course, exercise his authority in conformity to the law of God. But among masters who do not recognize the force of Christian obligation, there will be abuses in this as in other social relations. From these abuses as well as from other causes, separations of husband and wife will occur; and these separations give rise to questions, the solution of which requires grave and prayerful consideration.

An obvious and wide distinction exists between separations produced by the voluntary action of a party to the contract, and those which are produced by some external power controlling the parties, and separating them against their will. The first class of separations may occur both among masters and among slaves. But those which are produced by a controlling authority acting against the will of the married parties are generally confined to slaves. With this distinction before us, we proceed to examine the texts of Scripture which bear upon this subject, and to ascertain the rules which they prescribe.

The first is to be found in our Saviour's Sermon on the Mount, in 5th St. Matthew, v. 32. There it is declared by the Saviour himself, that, "whosoever shall put away his wife, saving for the cause of fornication, causeth her to commit adultery; and whosoever shall marry her; that is divorced, committeth adultery." This passage evidently embraces only the case of voluntary action, on the part of the husband. The expression used is "put away." At first sight it might seem that inasmuch as the wife put away, is an involuntary sufferer, and still is not permitted to marry again, that the precept might include both the classes of separations which we have distinguished. But upon further examination, it will appear that the denial of another marriage to the wife, is included in the assertion, that she is unlawfully put away by her husband. The husband who puts away is said to



cause her to commit adultery. This can only be, because she remains his wife, notwithstanding the putting away. And if she continues to be his wife, then whosoever shall marry her, committeth adultery. The marriage contract is thus declared by the Saviour to remain in full force, notwithstanding the attempt by the husband to dissolve it; and all the consequences must ensue, which would attach to a valid continuing marriage. Neither husband nor wife can undertake a new obligation.

The same propositions are still more distinctly announced in the 19th St. Matthew. There the question is propounded to our Saviour, by the Pharisees: "Whether it is lawful for a man to put away his wife for every cause." The voluntary action of the husband is the subject matter, and the inquiry is, as to its lawfulness and extent. Our Saviour distinctly answers as to both points, by saying "whosoever shall put away his wife, except it be for fornication, and shall marry another, committeth adultery; and whosoever marrieth her, which is put away, doth commit adultery." In other words, the attempted divorce is declared to be unlawful; the marriage continues valid; the husband committeth adultery if he marry again; the wife remains his wife, in spite of the divorce, and any one marrying her, commits adultery.

St. Mark's Gospel, chap. 10, records the reply of our Saviour to the same question of the Pharisees—"Is it lawful for a man to put away his wife." In concluding his reply, our Saviour says: "Whosoever shall put away his wife, and marry another, committeth adultery against her; and if a woman shall put away her husband, and be married to another, she committeth adultery." In this passage the alternative proposition is for the first time presented, of the wife putting away her husband. It meets with the same condemnation. Both parties are declared guilty of sin if they marry again; that sin is called adultery, both in the husband and in the wife; and thus includes the assertion that the marriage continues valid, notwithstanding the attempt of either party to set it aside.

In St. Luke's Gospel, chapter 16, verse 18, our Saviour announces the same rule in general terms, without noticing the exception stated in the former texts. He says: "Whosoever putteth away his wife, and marrieth another, committeth adultery, and whosoever marrieth her, that is put away from her husband, committeth adultery." Here again the divorce is attempted by the voluntary action of one of the parties to the contract; the same rule is repeated for such cases: but none is yet announced for cases of separation produced by an external controlling power, acting against the will, and without the fault of the married parties.

The other Evangelist, St. John, is silent upon this subject, and we next find it considered by St. Paul, in the 7th chapter of 1 Cor., verse 10. This Apostle, in considering the obligation of believers to continue their social relations with unbelievers, says: "Unto the married I command, yet not I, but the Lord; let not the wife depart from her husband; but, and if she depart, let her remain unmarried, or be reconciled to her husband, and let not the husband put away his wife."

Here again we have a distinct prohibition of voluntary separation, and an equally distinct prohibition of a second marriage, in case the wife voluntarily depart from her husband.

The Apostle goes on to consider the case of a wife abandoned by her husband because of her becoming a Christian. He seems to give judgment with some hesitation. He is careful to inform us that he gives his individual judgment, not the Lord's; and while he advises the woman who has an unbelieving husband not to leave her husband, he goes on to say, "but if the unbelieving depart, let him depart. A brother or sister is not under bondage in such cases."

The precise meaning of the word bondage here used by the Apostle, has been the subject of controversy. If the word be construed to apply to the marriage bond, (which in the case under the Apostle's consideration might be justly called a bondage,) then, in the judgment of the Apostle, the abandoned party is released from the obligation of the marriage contract, and a second marriage by that party is sanctioned. This construction, however, does not consist with the previous declaration of our Saviour, that the wife put away by her husband commits adultery in marrying again. There is no substantial difference between the words "put away and depart," used in the different passages; it follows, therefore, that this construction cannot be sustained. The remark of the Apostle, nevertheless, opens to our view a distinction between the party who abandons, and the innocent sufferer who is abandoned. It draws a line between the voluntary agent, and the involuntary subject of the separation. The latter is released from the obligation of her marriage vow, and although not free to contract another marriage, she is no longer under bondage to her husband.

Thus far we have been guided by Scripture: all the cases decided in the texts quoted are cases of separation by the voluntary act of one of the married parties. Nothing has been said as to the case of separation in which they have no agency, and which has been effected by a lawful authority to which they are bound to submit.

The State, for wise and sufficient reasons, has committed to the master a discretionary power to dispose of his slave. The mode of exercising that power is left to the conscience of the master. If that master should disregard the commands of God, and be led by caprice or self-interest to separate those who are lawfully joined together in marriage, he incurs all the consequences of his act, and must answer for it to the Final judge. But the innocent parties who have been separated, stand upon a different footing, and are objects of sympathy and not of censure. They are deprived by an external authority, of all the benefits of the marriage relation; they can no longer fill its obligations, and if the separation be continued and final, they are virtually dead to each other. Under such circumstances, the marriage no longer subsists but in name.

To require persons thus separated to remain unmarried, would involve consequences injurious to themselves, and detrimental to the best interests of our social system. If it be commanded by the divine law, there is an end of all discussion; the parties must bear their burthen, and society must trust to the Providence of God for a remedy. But,

where, as we have already shown, the Scriptures are silent, we are left to the other guides given us by God, and every Christian must follow the dictates of his own conscience and reason.

Upon a matter of practical importance, it would be inconvenient to find different rules prevailing in the same Diocese. It is, therefore, wise and proper to ascertain and set forth that which is most conformable to the judgment of the Church. This rule your Committee do not propose to clothe with the sanction of law, but simply to announce as the opinion of the Convention.

Your Committee have opened a correspondence with many of the Clergy in our Diocese, and they find a general concurrence in the practice of allowing marriages, in cases where the parties have been separated in such a way, as to render impossible the fulfilment of the marriage obligations.

Our municipal law, although it gives no sanction to divorce, or to the marriage of divorced parties, yet furnishes some analogy to the case under consideration, in permitting the marriage of a party whose husband or wife has been absent for seven years. In such case, the law presumes the death of the absent party. In like manner a separation of married slaves, which as completely severs the married parties as though one were dead, should be entitled to the like relief, and ought to receive equal indulgence at the hands of the Clergy.

When the husband or wife have been removed by legal authority from the neighborhood of each other; when they have had no agency in the separation, and have done what they lawfully could do to avoid it; when they can no longer receive the benefits or fulfil the obligations of marriage, and this condition of things seems to be continued and final, then they are substantially in the same condition as though death had intervened, and the marriage really subsists but in name.

In what case a separation is to be considered final, and how great a distance is involved in the term separation, it is impossible to define. The sound judgment of the minister must be exercised in this, as in other cases. But it seems to your Committee that when exercised, it should be deemed final; and that the second marriage should stand, even in cases where another change of circumstances may bring back the separated husband or wife. Human judgment is necessarily finite, and no provision can be made for all contingencies. Cases of hardship will certainly exist. Separations will sometimes be considered temporary by the Ministers, where the parties will insist that they are final. Distances will be regarded in different aspects. But, nevertheless, the general rule submitted is, upon the whole, the best, and the minister of the parish is the best arbiter to direct its application.

The Committee recommend to the Convention the adoption of the following resolutions:

1. *Resolved*, That the relation of husband and wife is of divine institution, and the duties which appertain to it, are of universal obligation, and bind with the same force the master and the slave.

2. That the injunction of our Saviour forbidding man to separate those whom God has joined together, is obligatory upon the conscience of every Christian master, and prohibits the separation of those who have been united in marriage.



3. That the power over the slave, which is conferred upon the master by the law of the land should be exercised by every Christian, in conformity with the law of God; and, therefore, every Christian master should so regulate the sale or disposal of a married slave, as not to infringe the Divine injunction forbidding the separation of husband and wife.

4. That while this obligation is generally recognized by Christians, yet many cases arise in which separations among married slaves, occur from voluntary abandonment of duty by the parties themselves, or from circumstances beyond their control, and it is desirable that some judgment should be pronounced by the Church, which may establish for its members a uniform rule of conduct.

5. That the cases of separation produced by the voluntary action of either of the parties to the marriage contract, are expressly condemned by our Saviour; and this sentence, as already stated, embraces master and slave; but involuntary separations produced by causes over which the married parties have no control, do not appear to come within the scope of any direction recorded in the Scriptures.

6. That in the absence of such direction, the sound judgment of the Church, guided by the general principles of religion, and directed by the Great Head of the Church, must be exercised in devising the best rule for the action of its members.

7. That where an involuntary and final separation of married slaves has occurred, the case of the sufferers is to be distinguished from any human agency which has separated them; the latter is responsible to God for disregarding his commands; the former are entitled to sympathy and consideration.

8. That in such cases of separation, where neither party is in fault, and where the separation appears to be permanent and final, the refusal to allow a second marriage would often produce much evil and hardship; and this Convention, in giving its judgment in favor of such marriages, would do so in the qualified language applied by the Apostle to cases of self-restraint, "if they cannot contain, let them marry; for it is better to marry than to burn."

All of which is respectfully submitted.

C. G. MEMMINGER, *Chairman.*

May 11, 1859.

On motion of Mr. J. J. P. Smith,

*Resolved*, That the report and resolutions annexed be printed, and made the order of the day for one o'clock to-morrow.

The Tellers reported the following gentlemen as re-elected for a Standing Committee of the Diocese:

The Rev. C. HANCKEL, D.D.

" Rev. C. P. GADSDEN.

" Rev. PAUL T. KEITH.

" Rev. J. B. CAMPBELL.

" Rev. C. WALLACE.

Dr. I. M. CAMPBELL.

JAMES H. LADSON,

H. D. LESESNE.

EDWARD McCRADY,

C. G. MEMMINGER,

The election of Deputies to the General Convention was ordered.

Tellers were appointed for the Clerical vote, viz: the Rev. E. A. Wagner, and the Rev. J. H. Cornish. And, for the Lay vote, Messrs. McNeily DuBose and Elford.

The Rev. E. Reed and Mr. H. D. Lesesne declined being candidates for re-election.

While the votes were being counted, the Rev. P. Trapier brought up certain proposed amendments to the Constitution of the General Convention. On his motion,

*Resolved*, That a Committee be appointed to report, to-morrow, on the subjects which it was directed should be referred to the several Diocesan Conventions by the last General Convention.

The Committee appointed were the Rev. P. Trapier, the Rev. E. Reed and E. McCrady, Esq.

The consideration of the unfinished business was suspended.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Pinckney,

1. *Resolved*, That this Convention recognize with much pleasure the presence of our Missionary Bishop to China, and welcome him back on this visit to his native State.

2. *Resolved*, That the Rt. Rev. Bishop Boone be invited to address the Convention to-morrow morning, immediately after reading the Minutes.

Gen. W. E. Martin moved the following resolutions, which were carried *unanimously*.

*Resolved*, That in the death of the Rev. HENRY MANDEVILLE DENISON, the Diocese of South Carolina has sustained the loss of a faithful minister, who in life devoted himself with untiring energy to his Master's service, and its close at the post of duty exhibited the triumph of redeeming grace which was illustrated by his life, and exemplified by his death.

*Resolved*, That in respect to his memory, the delegates here assembled will wear the usual badge of mourning during the session of the Convention.

*Resolved*, That the Secretary be requested to forward a copy of these resolutions to the testamentary guardian of the daughter of the deceased, to be presented to her and the surviving relatives of the late H. M. Denison.

After prayer by the President, adjourned to meet at ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

C. WALLACE, *Secretary*.



*St. Peter's Church, Charleston, Friday, May 13th, 1859.*

The Convention met according to adjournment at ten o'clock, A. M. Morning Prayer to the Creed was read by the Rev. A. Glennie, and the remainder of it, with the Litany, by the Rev. Wm. Dehon; the Absolution, concluding Collect, and Benediction, were said by the Bishop.

After a recess, the Convention was called to order by the Bishop.

The roll was called, and a quorum of both Orders found present.

The minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

The Rev. R. T. Howard appeared and took his seat.

Messrs. Wm. B. Pringle, from St. Andrew's, and Lewis Morris from Wilton, took their seats as Lay Delegates.

The Rt. Rev. Bishop Boone then addressed the Convention, according to the resolution of yesterday, in behalf of his mission in China.

The Tellers of the Clerical vote for Deputies to the General Convention reported the election by the Clergy of

The Rev. C. Hanckel, D.D.

" A. Gregg,

E. McCrady,

" P. J. Shand,

A. P. Aldrich.

" Paul Trapier,

The Tellers of the Lay vote reported the election by the Laity of

The Rev. C. Hanckel, D.D.

E. McCrady,

" Paul Trapier,

C. G. Memminger,

" P. J. Shand,

R. F. W. Allston.

So that the following were elected in both Orders :

The Rev. C. Hanckel, D.D.

" P. J. Shand,

Edward McCrady.

" Paul Trapier,

Leaving one Clerical and three Lay Deputies to be yet elected.

A second vote was ordered.

The following resolutions were offered by Mr. John Hanckel, and passed *seriatim* :

*Resolved*, That Canon I be stricken out, and the other Canons be numbered to accord with this alteration.

*Amendments to Standing Resolutions.*

1. *Resolved*, That the following sums, whenever called for by special resolution of Convention, shall be contributed by each Parish or Church to "The Bishop's Permanent Fund," viz : (the same sums as hitherto.)

2. In second Resolution insert \$4,000 for \$3,500.

3. *Resolved*, That whatever balance may remain after paying the sum of \$4,000 to the Bishop, shall be added to the principal of the Bishop's Permanent Fund.

4. *Resolved*, That it shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Convention, in his annual summons to the different Parishes or Churches, to state the quota of such Parish or Church to the Bishop's Fund, when called for by special resolution of a previous Convention.

*Report of the Trustees of the Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of South-Carolina.*

The Trustees of the Diocesan Seminary beg leave to report, that they convened in Camden, in June last, soon after the adjournment of the late Convention, and took the necessary measures for the establishment of the Institution. To the Bishop of the Diocese has been entrusted, on his own selection, the department of *Pastoral Theology and Church Polity*. The Rev. Paul Trapier has been elected Professor of *Ecclesiastical History and the Evidences of Christianity*; The Rev. E. Reed, Professor of *Systematic Divinity and Pulpit Eloquence*, and the Rev. T. F. Davis, Jr., Professor of *Greek and Hebrew Literature and Biblical Learning*.

The exercises of the Seminary commenced on the 18th of January last, and have been continued ever since. The number of Students has been three. A building has been rented for the use of the Seminary, near the Bishop's residence; but we shall now be relieved from this expense, the Vestry of "Grace Church, Camden," having, with great liberality, offered the use of an appropriate building free of rent.

A Pastoral, addressed by the Bishop to the Churches of the Diocese, has been responded to with contributions from many quarters, and we would express the hope that a more liberal offering is yet to be made.

The practical working of the institution has convinced all connected with it of the importance of the Seminary for the training of our candidates for orders, and of the feasibility of carrying it out upon our present plan. We could say much of the satisfaction with which we have watched the first struggles of the School of the Prophets into life and action, and of the promise of usefulness which it holds out before us, but we prefer allowing the Professors to speak for themselves, and, therefore, have embodied herein their several reports for the past four months, assured that they will interest the Convention as much as they have the Board of Trustees, and that the Church will thus be best acquainted with the details of the work which they have here undertaken to do.

The Board have also been engaged, under the Resolution of the Convention, in the preparation of a *Constitution* for the Seminary, which is herewith presented for free consideration.

*Constitution of the Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of South-Carolina.*

ART. I. The name of this Seminary shall be *the Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of South-Carolina*.

ART. II. The location of the Seminary shall be at such place, within the Diocese, as the Convention thereof may select.

ART. III. The management of the Seminary shall be vested in a Board of Trustees, consisting of the Bishop, ex-officio President, and three Presbyters, and three Lay communicants of the Protestant Episcopal Church in South Carolina, who shall be elected annually by the Convention of the Diocese, by ballot, the vote being by orders, and a majority of each order being necessary to a choice.

ART. IV. Sec. 1.—The Board of Trustees shall meet annually at the time and place of the meeting of the Diocesan Convention, and also at any other time and place, when and where, they may be summoned by the President. Five members shall constitute a quorum.

Sec. 2.—The Board shall, at the first meeting after their election, appoint by ballot, from among their own number, a Secretary and a Treasurer.

Sec. 3.—The Secretary shall keep all the papers of the Board; record their proceedings, give notice of their meetings, inform Committees of their appointment, and conduct their correspondence.

Sec. 4.—The Treasurer shall take charge of the funds of the Seminary, under such rules and give such security as the Board may prescribe. He shall receive all such donations and legacies as may at any time be made to the Seminary, and shall keep a record of all such benefactions.

Sec. 5.—The Board shall make an annual report to the Convention of the state and condition of the Seminary, and they may supply all vacancies in their own body, occurring three months or more before the meeting of the Diocesan Convention.

ART. V. Professorships shall be established, the salaries of Professors fixed, and the departments of instruction appertaining to each chair assigned by the Board of Trustees.

ART. VI. Professors shall be elected by a majority of the Board of Trustees, and the vote shall be by ballot.

ART. VII. Sec. 1.—Any candidate for orders, in this or any other Diocese of the Protestant Episcopal Church, may be admitted a student of the Seminary. Any person, not a candidate for orders, may be admitted on his producing satisfactory evidence of moral and religious character; of his being a communicant of the Protestant Episcopal Church and in general of being possessed of such dispositions and habits as may render him apt and meet to exercise the ministry.

Sec. 2.—Every student shall, on his admission into the Seminary, subscribe his name to the following declaration, in a book to be kept for the purpose:

We, the subscribers, students of the Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of South Carolina, do solemnly promise, in humble reliance upon the grace of God, that we will, during our connection with the Seminary, faithfully obey the laws thereof, and diligently prosecute all the studies and perform all

the duties which, according to the rules of the Institution, may be required of us ; and furthermore that we will strive, the Lord being our helper, to cultivate the spirit and habit of devotion, to walk worthy of our holy avocation as the servants of Christ, and by every means in our proper sphere to promote the reputation and interests of the Seminary.

ART. VIII. Sec. 1.—The full course of study in this Seminary shall occupy three years, commencing in each year, on the first Monday in October, and terminating on the last Friday in June, from which time there shall be a vacation until the first Monday in October. There shall also be a suspension of recitations of the Seminary from the twentieth day of December to the second day of January, inclusive, and also on Epiphany, Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, and Ascension day. Moreover it shall be in the power of the Faculty to suspend recitations whenever in their judgment it is deemed advisable.

Sec. 2.—There shall be three classes in the Seminary, the term of study in each of which shall be one year. The classes shall be known and distinguished, beginning with the year of entrance, as the Junior, Middle, and Senior Classes.

Sec. 3.—There shall be a public examination of the students of the Seminary, by the Professors, in their respective departments, commencing on the Monday before the last Friday in June of each year.

Sec. 4.—At the conclusion of the full course of study, each student, who shall have sustained his examinations in a satisfactory manner, shall receive a testimonial of the same, signed by the Bishop, the Professors, and the Trustees.

ART. IX. Sec. 1.—The commencement of the Seminary shall be held on the last Friday in June.

Sec. 2.—At each commencement there shall be morning prayer, the Holy Communion, and a Sermon addressed to the graduates, either by the Bishop or by a preacher appointed by him.

Sec. 3.—The conferring of testimonials shall be by the Bishop or, in his absence, by the President of the Standing Committee of the Diocese.

ART. X. No one of these articles shall be altered or repealed, nor shall any new article be added, unless such alteration, repeal, or new article, be concurred in by two-thirds of the votes of each order present in Convention.

The report of the Treasurer is as follows :



*To the Trustees of the Theological Seminary of the  
Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of South-Carolina:*

The Treasurer begs leave to submit, herewith, his account up to this date, showing a balance of cash in hand of.....	\$608 72
The entire amount of cash that has been received up to this date is.....	1414 72
Deduct \$25 of the same, received for 1860,.....	25 00
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	1389 72
Add subscriptions of individuals not yet paid,.....	1240 00
Pledges by Rectors of Parishes, not yet paid,.....	294 00
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Total in cash, subscriptions, &c., for 1859.....	\$2923 72

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY D. LESESNE,

May 11th, 1859.

*Treasurer.*

*Report of the Bishop.*

The Bishop, as occupying both an Episcopal and a Professorial relation to the Seminary, would lay before the Trustees the following remarks :

Official duties have prevented his presence in the work of the Seminary, for the greater part of its as yet brief existence. The only recitations in the department entrusted to himself, have been from Mr. Le-Grand F. Guerry, upon the first four chapters of Abp. Potter on Church Government. He has also, when at home, attended a few of the recitations on Systematic Divinity.

The secondary department of study, *i. e.* the course pursued by candidates without full literary qualifications, appears to him to supply a great desideratum in our Church, as also the employment of our young men on Sundays in the practical work of catechizing on plantations. Both these features are novel; and he trusts they will be found eminently adapted to do good.

A recess from Seminary duties was observed during Holy Week. An evening meeting for prayer, and the consideration of a previously selected passage of Scripture, or an appointed sacred topic, is held by the Professors weekly; and the young men are also specially invited to be present. This has been attended by the happiest results, and has importantly contributed to generate that spirit of union and fraternal love, which has thus far most gratifyingly marked our intercourse and work.

The present arrangement as to rooms for recitation, and for the Candidates to occupy, *i. e.* simply to rent from year to year, a building large enough to afford space for all needful purposes, is certainly the safest and best adapted to our yet half-formed state and prospects that could be devised. Handsome donations have been secured toward the support of indigent students; and there is no doubt that more can be procured for this purpose, when it is required.

In conclusion, with devout thanks to Almighty God for the favors

already vouchsafed us, your Bishop would commend this yet feeble institution to your prayers, your counsels, and your continued efforts in its behalf.

THOS. F. DAVIS,  
per J. B. KERSHAW, (by request.)

The Professor of Systematic Divinity in the Theological Seminary respectfully reports to the Board of Trustees, that under the advice of the Bishop he has retained the charge of Zion and St. John's Churches, Richland District, and has given only part of his time to instruction in the Seminary—going to Camden on Monday, and remaining until Wednesday of each week. This arrangement was judged expedient from the fact that the only student in the institution who expects to enter the ministry with full qualifications, had already passed his examination in Systematic Divinity, and was less advanced in other departments of preparation. He has gone over the 1st, 2nd, 5th and 6th Articles in Burnet, and a considerable part of Magee on the Atonement.

By an arrangement with the Professor of Ecclesiastical History, to whom the subject had been assigned, the Professor of Systematic Divinity has given instruction in the evidences of Christianity. In this department the first part of Paley's Evidences has been studied.

The attention of the Board of Trustees is respectfully solicited to the necessity of providing a library for the use of the Seminary.

All which is respectfully submitted.

EDW. REED.

Camden, May 4, 1859.

*Report of the Professor of Ecclesiastical History, &c.*

The undersigned, as Professor of Ecclesiastical History, began his course of instruction on the 19th of January last, with one student, Mr. Le Grand Guerry, and on the next week, with his brother, Mr. Walter Guerry; both of them candidates for Deacons' Orders, the first with full, the second with less qualifications.

He soon found that they could not be carried through the same course, and he has since been teaching them separately.

With the first he has studied the History of the First Three Centuries, in Murdock's Mosheim, with reference to Blunt's Lectures, Gieseler's History, Neander's History, &c., taking up in succession distinct subjects, then arranging them chronologically with Burton's History of the First Three Centuries, as a text-book.

With the second student he took Burton only, adding orally such other information as seemed desirable.

In this way the following topics were considered, viz: the state of the world at the coming of Christ, with the systems of philosophy then prevailing; the constitution, foundation and increase of the Church; the persecutions from without, and the heresies around and within its pale, till its establishment in union with the State under Constantine.

For the ages subsequent, Waddington's Church History has been

used chiefly, with references to Mosheim and others; and the students have been carried to the end of the eighth century, tracing the Arian controversy, the decline and fall of Paganism, the action of the General Councils, the several heresies and schisms, the rise and progress of idolatry and of other corruptions, and particularly of the Papal power, to the separation of the Eastern and Western Churches.

At the request of the Professor of Hebrew and Greek Literature and Bible Learning, who has been too much engaged pastorally to attend in full to Scriptural Interpretation, the undersigned has also been teaching the first-named student in this branch of his studies, and has gone with him through forty-three pages of Robinson's Greek Harmony of the Gospels, examining the text critically.

Two hours on three days, and one hour and a half on the other two days, of each week, have been assigned to recitations.

The Professor of Systematic Divinity has, therefore, kindly consented to teach the Evidences of Christianity to one of the students, the other having already passed his examinations on that part of his preparation for holy Orders.

Books of reference are much needed in both the branches attempted to be taught by the undersigned; but some of these are costly, yet of use only occasionally, and therefore suitable for a common, rather than a private library, either of student or of Professor. Without a large increase of volumes, easily accessible to students and Professor, it will be impossible to carry on the studies in either of the departments hitherto taught by the subscriber—especially in that of Ecclesiastical History—many of the works of indispensable reference in which, are voluminous and costly and some of them rare. It is hoped that effectual measures will soon be taken by the Trustees to supply this want, so that in the ensuing vacation preparations may be made for more satisfactory discharge of duties than thus far performed with most painful sense of inadequacy.

Respectfully,

PAUL TRAPIER.

May 11, 1859.

*Report of the Professor of Hebrew and Greek Literature, and Biblical Learning.*

The Professor in these departments respectfully reports to the Trustees: That during the three months and a half, for which the Seminary has been in operation, he has been able to carry Mr. Le Grand F. Guerri carefully through the greater part of Stuart's Hebrew Grammar; only a portion of the Syntax being now left for future study. Mr. G., (who commenced Hebrew in January last, completely "*ab initio*") has also translated about half of the first chapter of Genesis, and reads the Hebrew text with tolerable fluency, for so recent a scholar.

With Mr. Walter C. Guerri, the undersigned has finished the Book of Genesis and half of Exodus, using D'Oyly & Mant's Commentary, also the Gospels of St. Matthew and St. Mark, with the aid of "A Plain Commentary on the Four Gospels." Other books have been referred to when needful. And the Professor has sought to encourage



a spirit of candid and intelligent criticism upon the books employed as Commentaries. He has also heard Mr. W. C. Guerry upon Part 2nd of Horne's Introduction, (abridged edition,) which treats of the Interpretation of Scripture, and is now engaged in a course of recitations upon Nicholl's "Help to Reading the Scripture."

The instruction of Mr. Le Grand Guerry in Greek Exegesis, he has, owing to the pressure of parochial obligations, resigned entirely to the Rev. Mr. Trapier. He feels it necessary to say, that, should the blessing of God rest upon our Seminary, and the full formation of classes result in a suitable increase of students, it would be out of his power to instruct more than *one* of those classes in the Exegesis of the New Testament. He would respectfully leave it to the decision of the Trustees whether he should do this, or whether (as seems to him to be, for the present, a wiser plan) the *whole branch* of Greek Exegesis should be entrusted to the care of the Rev. Mr. Trapier, (if he will accept it,) and the undersigned be allowed to aid the Bishop, by hearing recitations, under his special direction, in the studies over which he (the Bishop) more particularly presides.

With humble and earnest prayers for our yet feeble institution, and that grace and wisdom from above may now and ever rest upon your deliberations.

Respectfully,

THOS. F. DAVIS.

The Tellers for Clerical and Lay votes for Deputies to the General Convention reported the election in both Orders of the Rev. C. C. Pinckney, Jr., and C. G. Memminger.

A third vote was ordered and taken, for two Lay Delegates.

The hour of one P. M. having arrived, the order of the day was taken up, viz: the Report of the Committee on the Marriage of Slaves.

Mr. J. J. P. Smith moved the following amendment as a substitute for the first three Resolutions proposed by the Committee:

*Resolved*, That the relation of husband and wife being of Divine institution, its duties of universal obligation binding with the same force master and slave, the injunction of our Saviour, forbidding man to separate those whom God has joined together, being thus obligatory upon the conscience of every Christian master, it follows that the power over the slave conferred upon the master by the law of the land should be exercised by every Christian in conformity with the law of God; and therefore every Christian master should faithfully strive so to regulate the sale or disposal of a married slave as not to infringe upon the Divine injunction forbidding the separation of husband and wife.

The Rev. J. S. Hanckel moved to strike out the eighth resolution.

Mr. John Phillips moved to lay the preamble, resolutions and amendments on the table. The motion was lost.

The Tellers reported the election of Mr. J. J. P. Smith, in both orders, as Lay Deputy to the General Convention.



The Tellers again reported no election in either order for one Lay Deputy.

The vote was again ordered, and taken for one Lay Deputy.

The Tellers reported the election, in both orders of the Hon. R. F. W. Allston.

The Convention then took a recess to meet again, at six o'clock, at Grace Church.

C. WALLACE, *Secretary*.

*Grace Church, Charleston, May 13th 1859.*

The Convention re-assembled at six o'clock, P. M.

The consideration of the report of the Committee on the Marriage of Slaves was continued.

Mr. Memminger moved the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the Report and Resolutions, with such amendments as have been proposed, be printed with the Journal of the Convention, and that the further consideration of the same be postponed until the next meeting of the Convention.

The Rev. C. P. Gasden moved,

To amend by striking out from the 4th Resolution all after the word "*Control*."

Also, by striking out the whole of the 6th Resolution.

Mr. Memminger moved to omit certain words on the 1st page of the Preamble.

The Rev. Mr. Habersham moved that,

Whereas the involuntary separation of husband and wife among our slaves, gives rise to difficulty, both to the master and minister, in determining upon the propriety of second marriages during the lifetime of both parties so separated,

*Resolved*, That this Convention deem the subject one which must of necessity be governed by Christian conscience under Scriptural direction.

The Resolution of Mr. Memminger was passed.

The Bishop called the Rev. Dr. Hanckel to the Chair and retired. The matter of the incorporation of Churches was postponed for the present.

The Finance Committee reported as follows :

The Finance Committee, to whom was referred the Treasurer's Report, with instructions to report measures for providing funds to meet certain extraordinary liabilities of the Convention, respectfully report,

That they have had the subject under consideration, and as the revenue of the Convention is derived solely from assessments imposed upon the several Parishes represented therein; your Committee have no option but to recommend a resort to the same source to provide for these additional demands upon the Treasury.

The sum called for by the Treasurer is three hundred and thirty-eight dollars.

The present annual assessments upon the Parishes yield about four hundred dollars; 85 per cent. on this amount would give \$340, which just covers the sum called for, but to avoid the inconvenience of paying and receiving fractions, your Committee recommend that the annual assessments for the present year be doubled.

As the Parishes are relieved from the payment of the quotas heretofore exacted for the Bishop's Common Fund, your Committee presume that they will cheerfully respond to this suggestion, and therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That for the purpose of defraying certain extraordinary expenses of the Convention, as stated in the Treasurer's Report, the Parishes represented in this Convention be assessed for the present year one hundred per cent. upon the amount of the regular annual assessment now imposed upon them.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM C. BEE,

Charleston, 13th May, 1859.

*Chairman.*

The report was adopted and the resolution passed.

On motion of Mr. Carn,

*Resolved*, That the proposed Constitution of the Diocesan Theological Seminary be printed and made the order of the day for 11 o'clock to-morrow.

Dr. Reynolds moved that the next Convention be held in Trinity Church, Columbia.

Mr. Weston moved to amend the resolution by striking out the words, "*Trinity Church, Columbia*," and inserting the word, "Charleston." Carried.

Mr. Smith moved that the next Convention meet on the second Wednesday in May, in St. Philip's Church.

Mr. Wm. M. Porcher moved the fourth Wednesday in May.

The Rev. C. P. Gadsden moved the third Wednesday in May.

On motion, the matter was postponed to to-morrow.

The Committee on the proposed amendments to the Constitution of the General Convention reported as follows:

The Committee to whom were referred alterations proposed in the Constitution of our General Church, respectfully report,

That with much regret for the casualty, or remisness which has caused questions of so great importance to come thus, at almost the last moment, before this Convention, and for the consequent insufficiency of the consideration which it is possible to give to them, your Committee are yet constrained to invite from this Convention an expression of decided dissent, if not a protest, against both of the amendments contemplated.

As to the *first*, viz: that which would strike out from Article III all but its first clause, they object that such elimination would remove the main security remaining to the House of Deputies, and therefore to the Church at large, against the passing over, in silence, by the House of Bishops, of every matter to which it might at any time be not agreeable to this latter house to give its assent, inasmuch as the Bishops would, in such case, have only to abstain from acting or from assigning any reason for their refusal to concur—whereas, the require-

ment now upon them to give reasons in writing for their non-concurrence, and to do so within a specified number of days, in failure of which the action of the lower house becomes law, is deemed indispensable to the co-equality of the two houses.

As to the *second* amendment, its effect would be to remove trials of Presbyters and Deacons from Diocesan courts to other tribunals, perhaps far distant, and consisting of and controlled by persons over whom no individual Diocese could exert perceptible influences; while its tendency would be to accumulate power in the chief centres of ecclesiastical wealth and population.

The proposal is, that the General Convention have the right to establish a court of appeals for revision of decisions of Diocesan courts; the only restriction being that the higher court may not "revise the determination of any question of *fact*."

This latter clause was appended in concession to the earnest remonstrance of more than one Southern deputation, because of the manifest facility else of bringing up, in such a court, questions about admissibility of evidence from persons received as witnesses in civil Courts at the North, but not in any slaveholding State.

This clause by no means removes the objection to this entire amendment, for questions directly cognizable by such account had better be trusted to it. They would be on charges for viciousness of life, for infringement of order, or for error in doctrine, which are the only matters that could be subjects of appeal.

As to *viciousness of life*, we prefer settling such cases within our own limits, and have no fears of oppression of innocence—neither are we apprehensive that guilt, sheltered or undiscovered among us, would be detected and punished elsewhere; but we are sure that a clergyman found guilty here, would be useless, though acquitted anywhere.

As to *infringement of order*, whether by insubordination, or by rubrical or canonical irregularity, we are satisfied that there will be no excess of discipline in this Diocese; neither do we desire decision of questions of this description, at present, left discretionary.

As to *errors in doctrine*, if these involved essentials, we have no doubt of our being able to settle them in accordance with our standard of faith, and to the contentment or silence of all concerned. If they relate to only alternatives of opinion, left optional, then, however, we might long for entire agreement, we should not consent to have them determined authoritatively, and, therefore exclusively by the decision of any court. We deem it a part of the "glorious liberty," wherewith our Church, in accordance with the revealed will of her Divine Head, "hath made us free," that such diversities may co-exist, and those who honestly entertain them work together, in love; and we rejoice in the fact, that if that liberty be abridged anywhere, there may be refuge elsewhere, and here, within the visible fold of Christ, for the aggrieved, as there will be so long, but only so long as no attempt is made by decision, everywhere binding, to force into identity of opinion and practice.

Every endeavour so to constrain to entire uniformity, we are convinced must result either in disingenuous use of ambiguous terms, or



in studied avoidance of controverted, even though they are important truths, and ultimately in alienation of affection, if not schism and heresy.

Your Committee therefore recommend the passage of the following resolutions :

1 *Resolved*, That this Convention declare that, in its judgement, the proposed amendment of Art. III. of the Constitution of our Church would be perilous to the rights of the Clergy and Laity.

2. *Resolved*, That to authorize the General Convention to establish courts of appeal from Diocesan decisions, in any case, would be to endanger the rights of the Dioceses, and the peace and unity of our Church.

All of which is respectfully submitted by

PAUL TRAPIER,  
EDWARD REED,  
EDWARD McCRADY.

The report and resolutions were referred back to the Committee for amendment, and on being again taken up, the resolutions were passed unanimously, the report adopted, and the report and resolutions directed to be laid before the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies of the General Convention.

The Rev. A. Gregg laid before the Convention the following report of the Trustees of the University of the South :

The Trustees of the "University of the South," appointed at the last meeting of this body, for the Diocese of South Carolina, beg leave to report,

That the Board assembled at Beersheba, Grundy county, Tennessee, on the 3d of July last.

A resolution was offered to reconsider the vote, by which Sewanee had been adopted as the location of the "University"—but, after a debate, conducted in the best spirit, and upon motion of one, who had been very strenuous in his opposition to that locality, was laid upon the table. This was induced by the conviction that Sewanee was the fixed choice of a very decided, and increasing majority of the Board. After visiting that *point* on their way to Beersheba, some, who had been doubtful, or adverse to its adoption, became its earnest advocates.

A Committee of Five was appointed by the Board to prepare an address, setting forth, at large, the reasons which actuated the Trustees in selecting Sewanee as the site of the University, and describing its superior advantages. This address has been published, and very generally circulated. It is believed to have excited increased interest in the work, and to have met with very general commendation.

The Board, by resolution, unanimously accepted the charter granted by the Legislature of Tennessee.

A Committee of three Bishops, three Clergymen, and three Laymen was appointed to form a constitution for the government of the University, with power to prepare a plan of education, a code of by-laws and ordinances, and to report on any other matters connected with the organization and management of the University. The Committee

has not yet been called together, but is expected to assemble before the next meeting of the Board, that their action in the premises may then be considered.

It was *Resolved*, that "until the adoption of such constitution, it be recommended to the Conventions of the Dioceses to give their Clerical and Lay Trustees a tenure of office of three years duration," to which the attention of this body is respectfully called.

We are happy in being able to state, that the Bishops of Louisiana and Georgia, who were requested to act as General Commissioners on the part of the Board, to canvass the several Dioceses for subscriptions to the funds of the University, entered upon their work in the early part of the Spring; their labors, however, were confined chiefly, if not altogether, to New Orleans, and were only preliminary to a mere extended and thorough prosecution of the same hereafter. About \$200,000 are understood to have been secured in addition to the sums previously subscribed. The result of their inquiries and efforts, in the outset, was such as to induce the opinion that the most sanguine expectations previously entertained, would be ultimately realized.

The necessary action was taken by the Board to have accurate survey made of the large and valuable bodies of land, donated to the University, amounting in all to about 10,000 acres, and to have the titles for the same secured. So that by the next meeting of the Trustees, the way will have been prepared for the further and healthy progress of the work.

It is believed that there have been, of late, decided indications of a growing interest in, and a more general appreciation of the importance of this "great educational enterprise," both to the South and to the country at large. A few years more of patient and faithful effort, will, we are persuaded, place its grand success beyond the reach of any future contingency. But time is demanded for the beginning of the consummation. If only true to ourselves, it cannot be long before that consummation will have been reached.

All of which is respectfully submitted in behalf of the Trustees.

ALEXANDER GREGG.

Received as information.

The Rev. A. Gregg moved the following resolutions :

*Resolved*, That ——— be appointed Historiographer of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of South Carolina, with a view of his preparing a history of the same, as an enlargement of Dr. Dalcho's valuable work, through the period it embraces, and its continuation down to the present time.

*Resolved*, That the Clergy and Laity, throughout the Diocese, be requested to furnish the said Historiographer with all the information at their command, both to facilitate his labors and to render the work more complete than it could otherwise be made.

*Resolved*, That to enable him to effect the object last proposed, the said Historiographer be authorized to issue circulars to the Clergy, and Laity, and that he be re-embursed the expense of the same out of the Treasury.

The Rev. T. S. Arthur moved that the subject be referred to a Committee, to report to-morrow.

On motion of the Rev. J. S. Hanckel, the subject was indefinitely postponed.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Arthur,

*Resolved*, That the Rev. Mr. Thackara, of the Diocese of Florida, be invited to address the Convention to-morrow-morning immediately after the reading of the Minutes.

The Convention then adjourned to meet at half-past nine o'clock to-morrow, at St. Peter's Church.

After prayers by the President, the Convention adjourned.

C. WALLACE, *Secretary*.

*St. Peter's Church, Charleston, May 14th, 1859.*

The Convention met according to adjournment. Morning prayer was said by the Rev. Messrs. Wagner and Keith.

After a short recess, the Convention was called to order by the Bishop. A quorum of the Clergy was found present. After some delay, a quorum of the Laity was found present.

The Minutes of yesterday were read and amended.

According to a resolution passed yesterday, the Rev. Mr. Thackara, of St. Augustine, Florida, addressed the Convention in behalf of proposed itinerant missions in Florida.

On motion of the Rev. C. P. Gasden,

*Resolved*, That the next Convention meet on the *third* Wednesday in May, 1860.

The Convention then took up, from the unfinished business the report of the Committee on Incorporation of Churches.

The Bishop called the Rev. Dr. Hanckel to the Chair and retired.

The Rev. Mr. Arthur offered as a substitute for the proposed Act of Incorporation, the following:

#### A BILL

TO INCORPORATE WITH UNIFORM RIGHTS, POWERS AND PRIVILEGES, THE VARIOUS PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CONGREGATIONS IN SOUTH-CAROLINA.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives now met and sitting in General Assembly, and by the authority of the same*, That hereafter when any persons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in South-Carolina, shall associate themselves together for the purpose of forming a Church according to the doctrine, discipline and worship of the same, they shall be allowed to do so, by filing with the Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas and General Sessions, for the District in which the said applicants reside, being not less than twelve in number, a written statement of such purpose and intention, signed by them, and setting forth the name of their Church and the style of their Corporation, which shall be recorded in the said Clerk's Office, and on receiving his certificate thereof, they shall become a Body Politic and Corporate for the purpose aforesaid, and shall be known by the name and style designated in their said written statement.

SEC. 2d. That the said corporations shall, by their respective corporate names, have succession of officers and members according to their respective By-Laws, and shall have power to make all By-Laws, Rules and Regulations for their government, not repugnant to the laws of South-Carolina or the Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church. To have and keep and use a Common Seal, and the same alter at



will. To sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in any court of this State. And to have and enjoy every right incident to Incorporations.

SEC. 3d. They shall also be empowered severally, to retain, hold, possess and enjoy all such property, real or personal, as they may be respectively possessed of, or in any wise entitled unto, or which shall hereafter be given, bequeathed, or in any acquired by them, and to sell, alien and in any way transfer the same or any part thereof.

SEC. 4th. Any Congregation of the Protestant Episcopal Church already incorporated in South-Carolina, may, on the expiration of their charter, or any time before, if they see proper to surrender their charter, become a Body Politic and Corporate under the provisions of this Act, by making known their intention to do so, according to the provisions of the first section of the same.

SEC. 5th. The charters secured or renewed under this Act shall be perpetual, subject however to the power of the General Assembly to repeal or alter the same.

*Resolved*, 1st. That a Committee of one Clergyman and three Laymen, with the Bishop as Chairman, be appointed to present to the Legislature of this State, at its next session, a petition for the enactment of the Form of Incorporation now adopted.

*Resolved*, 2d. That the action of the Legislature thereon be reported to the next ensuing meeting of this Convention; in order that, if the Act of Incorporation be accepted by the Convention, it may be printed with every succeeding Journal for the use of congregations wishing incorporation.

*Resolved*, 3d. That the Secretary publish with the Journal of this Convention, and of every succeeding Convention, so long as may be necessary, a list of the congregations whose charters have expired, or are to expire, with the dates of these latter; in order that the congregations therein named may apply for incorporation, under the general Act, as they may severally desire.

Mr. Arthur's substitute was adopted, and the resolutions passed.

The Committee appointed were, C. G. Memminger, Chairman, Edward McCrady W. E. Martin, and the Secretary.

The Treasurer reported as follows:

DR. *Convention P. E. Church in account with C. WALLACE, Treasurer.*

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1858		
June 4	To Balance.....	\$ 78 44
" 14	Paid Patriot and Mountaineer for advertising	2 25
" "	Paid to Organist at Greenville.....	9 00
" "	Paid to Sexton.....	9 00
" 23	To transcribing Journal, 1857.....	23 00
July 21	To A. E. Miller, for printing, in advance.....	50 00
Aug. 14	To A. E. Miller for printing Journals, &c., in full.....	249 50
" 17	To 166 3-cent postage stamps.....	5 00
Sept. 1	To Mercury, for advertising.....	12 60
Nov. 21	To So. Enterprize, Greenville, advertising.....	1 25
1859		
April 6	To postage stamps for Circulars.....	4 00
		<u>\$440 04</u>
	There is due to the General Convention for Extra Quota.....	35 00
	Due for transcrib'g Journal.....	25 00
	Ordered at last Convention to be paid to the Rev. A. Gregg for payments made on account of University of the South.....	50 00
	Additional payments by him.....	40 00
	Balance due Treasurer..	24 04
	Bills unpaid, say.....	20 00
	<i>Total Deficiency.</i>	
	In addition to this there will be required for quota to the General Convention \$2 for each Clergyman.....	144 00
		<u>\$338 04</u>

1858		
June 5	Christ Church, Wilton, thro' Ed. Barnwell, Jr.	10 00
" 21	Messiah, N. Santee, thro' S. Lucas.....	10 00
" 25	Trinity Ch., Edgefield..	5 00
July 2	Grace Ch., Charleston..	20 00
" 19	St. Michael's, ".....	20 00
" 30	St. Paul's, Radcliffeboro'	20 00
1859	Trinity, Columbia.....	20 00
Apl. 26	St. Philip's, Charleston. Holy Trinity, Grahamville.....	20 00
	St. Jude's, Walterboro'	10 00
	St. Helena, Beaufort...	10 00
	St. Luke's.....	10 00
	St. John's, Fairfield....	10 00
	St. David's, Cheraw....	10 00
	Christ Church Parish...	10 00
	Claremont, Stateburg..	10 00
	All-Saints, Waccamaw..	10 00
	Prince Frederick's.....	10 00
	Holy Apostles, Barnwell	5 00
	Christ Ch., Charleston..	5 00
	Advent, Spartanburg...	5 00
	St. Paul's, Pendleton...	5 00
	Grace, Anderson.....	5 00
	Grace, Sullivan's Island	5 00
	St. Andrew's.....	10 00
	Holy Communion.....	5 00
	Pineville and Upper St. John's.....	10 00
	Good Shepherd, York'lle	5 00
	Grace, Camden.....	10 00
	Redeemer, Orangeburg..	5 00
	Trinity, Black Oak.....	10 00
	Trinity, Abbeville.....	5 00
	Calvary, Glenn Springs	5 00
	St. Bartholomew's.....	10 00
	Zion, Richland.....	5 00
	Mar's Bluff.....	10 00
	St. Mark's, Chester.....	5 00
	St. Peter's, Charleston..	20 00
	St. John's Berkley, thro' Dr. Huger.....	10 00
	John's Island, thro' Dr. P. T. Gervais.....	10 00
	Edisto Island.....	10 00
	Prince William's, thro' T. M. Hanckel.....	10 00
	James Island, thro' C. H. Rivers for 1858 \$5, for '59, \$5.....	10 00
		<u>\$420 00</u>
	Balance due Treasurer..	\$ 24 04

C. WALLACE, *Treasurer.*

Examined and found correct, and properly vouched. Balance due Treasurer, twenty-four dollars four cents.

WM. C. BEE,

*Committee on Finance.*

May 12, 1859.

The Constitution of the Diocesan Theological Seminary was then taken up.

The first Article was adopted.

The second Article was adopted.

The Rev. Mr. Arthur moved to amend the third Article, by striking out the word "*annually*," and inserting the word *triennially*.

The Rev. Mr. Pinckney moved, as an amendment, after striking out the "*word annually*," the following additions, so that the whole Article should read—

ARTICLE III.—The management of the Seminary shall be vested in a Board of Trustees, consisting of the Bishop, ex-officio President, and three Presbyters, and three Lay Communicants of the Protestant Episcopal Church in South-Carolina, who shall be elected by the Convention of the Diocese by ballot, the vote being by Orders, and a majority of each Order being necessary to a choice, to serve three years, two Trustees, one Clerical and one Lay, to go out of office every year, and not to be re eligible at the Convention at which their term of office expires.

Mr. J. Blythe Allston moved to strike out the last clause of Mr. Pinckney's amendment. Carried.

Mr. Pinckney then withdrew his amendment.

Mr. Arthur withdrew his amendment.

The third Article was then adopted.

Articles fourth, fifth, sixth and seventh were adopted.

In Article eighth, section first, the word "*Good Friday*" was struck out, and the words, "*during Passion Week and on*" inserted.

The remaining Articles were adopted.

The whole Constitution was then adopted.

On motion of Gen. W. E. Martin,

*Resolved*, That Thomas B. Clarkson, Jr., be appointed Trustee for Zion Church, Richland, under the will of Mrs. Elizabeth A. Clarkson, in the place of William Clarkson, deceased.

On the motion of the Hon. Wm. Alston Pringle,

*Resolved*, That the Rev. A. Gregg, J. A. Calhoun, and Plowden C. J. Weston be appointed Trustees of the University of the South, and J. F. Blacklock Treasurer.

The election of Trustees of the Diocesan Theological Seminary was ordered.

Tellers for the Laity were appointed, viz: Dr. Campbell and Mr. Stuart.

For the Clergy, the Rev. C. P. Gadsden and the Rev. B. B. Sams.

The election of Trustees for the General Theological Seminary was ordered.

The Rev. Wm. H. Hanckel was nominated and elected in place of Wm. H. Barnwell.

On motion of the Rev. A. Gregg,

*Resolved*, That the thanks of this Convention be returned to the Organist and Choir of this Church.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Pinckney,

*Resolved*, That the thanks of this Convention be returned to Col. Taylor, for his courtesy manifested to this body by the invitation to visit the Carolina Art Association of this city.

On motion of Mr. J. J. P. Smith, the Report of the Committee on the Constitution of the General Convention was reconsidered.

It was then recommitted for amendment.

On motion of Hon. W. Alston Pringle.

*Resolved*, That we the members of this Convention cannot return to our homes without tendering to our beloved Bishop the assurance of our sympathy with him in his present trial, and of our earnest prayers that it may please our blessed Saviour to restore his sight, and to refresh his spirit abundantly with light and comfort from on high.

The following gentlemen were elected by the Clerical vote Trustees of the Diocesan Theological Seminary:

The Rev. P. J. Shand,	H. D. Lesesne,
“ C. P. Gadsden,	J. B. Kershaw,
“ J. J. Roberts,	A. P. Aldrich.

The vote of the Laity concurred with the above, except in the name of Mr. Aldrich, instead of whom they elected Gen. W. E. Martin.

There being no concurrence in case of *one* Lay Trustee, a second vote was ordered and taken.

The Tellers reported the same result as before; no concurrence.

A third vote was ordered and taken.

The Tellers reported the election of W. E. Martin in both Orders as Trustee of the Diocesan Theological Seminary.

On motion, *Resolved*, That the thanks of the Convention be returned to Rev. Dr. Hanckel for the dignity and ability with which he has presided over the sessions of the Convention during the absence of the Bishop.

Thanks were also returned to the Secretary and Assistant Secretary.

On motion of Dr. Reynolds,

*Resolved*, That the thanks of this Convention are due, and are hereby tendered to the citizens of Charleston for the hospitality and courtesy extended to the Delegates to this Convention.

After prayers by the Rev. Dr. Hanckel, the Convention adjourned.

C. WALLACE, *Secretary*.

THOS. F. DAVIS, D.D., *President*.



# PAROCHIAL, MISSIONARY AND OTHER REPORTS.

ARRANGED ALPHABETICALLY ACCORDING TO THE NAMES OF  
THE CLERGY.

From June 9th, 1858, to May 12th, 1859.

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## *Grace Church, Camden.*

The Rt. Rev. Thos. F. Davis, D. D., Rector.

The Rev. Thos. F. Davis, Jr., Assistant Minister.

Baptisms—1 white adult, 10 children; 2 colored; total, 13. Marriages, 3 white. Burials, 4 white, 1 colored; total, 5. Communicants, last reported, 58 white, 3 colored. Admitted, 10 white, 1 colored; Removed, 1 white; Present number, 67 white, 4 colored; total, 71. Congregation, children under 14, about 80 white, and about 15 colored; total, 95. Families, 44 white, 3 colored; total, 47. Confirmed by the Bishop, 7 white, 1 colored; total, 8. Sunday School Teachers, 7, Scholars 46 white. Public Worship, Grace Church, 45 Sundays, 19 other days; whole number of times, 109. Contributions, Communion Alms, \$187.70; Diocesan Missions, \$127.09; Church in Union, \$34.00. General Domestic Missions, \$57.00. Missions in Florida, \$52.00. General Foreign Missions, \$47.00. Howard Association, Charleston, \$66.00. Diocesan Theological Seminary, \$125.00. Children of Sunday School for S. Columba Mission, \$46.41. From the same for S. School books, \$8.50. Total, \$750.70.

REMARKS.—We are thankful to be able to say, that this Parish is decidedly in a favorable and increasing condition. Many thanks are due to the Rev. Professor Trapier for his kind and valuable assistance in services. The Church has been opened more frequently during Lent, than we have ever attempted before; and the attendance of worshippers has been better. Weekly informal services have been held in private houses, for the benefit, chiefly, of the plainer classes, and have been productive of good.

Greater attention from parents is indeed much needed to make our Sunday School more efficient.

During September and October, 1858, a few week-day services were held, by the Assistant Minister, in St. Philip's Church, Bradford Springs. At the service held on September 18th, \$30.00 were collected for the Howard Association of Charleston.

*Christ Church, Greenville.*

The Rev. Thomas S. Arthur, Rector.

Baptisms—Adults, 4 white; Children, 7 white, 1 colored; total, 12. Marriages, 4 white, 1 colored; total, 5. Burials, 7 white, 1 colored; total, 8. Communicants, last reported, 74 white, 5 colored; total, 79. Admitted, 14 white; Removed, 3 white; Died, 2 white, 1 colored; total, 3; Present number, 83 white, 4 colored; total, 87. Non-Communicants, 95 white, 15 colored; total, 110. Congregation, children under 14, 88 white, 16 colored; total, 104. Families, 56 white, 4 colored; total, 60. Families belonging also to other Congregations of the P. E. Church, 3 white. Children catechized on 12 days, 35 white, 10 colored; total, 45. Confirmed by the Bishop, 16 white, 1 colored; total, 17. Sunday School, Teachers, 10 white, 6 colored; total, 16; Scholars, 56 white, 40 colored; total, 96. Subjects of Instruction, the Church Catechism, Catechisms Nos. 2 and 3, the Collects, Epistles and Gospels for the day, &c. Public Worship, Christ Church, 48 Sundays, 47 other days; whole number of times, 143. Contributions, Communion Alms, \$81.40; Missions, Diocesan, \$25.50; Domestic, \$20; Foreign, \$15; Parochial Schools, \$140; total, \$200.50.

REMARKS.—The Church debt has been nearly all provided for during the last year, and in a short time, we may reasonably hope, the Congregation will, by its own exertions, liquidate the entire amount. The Dehon School for the poor, has been steadily progressing through more than eight years, and the good results anticipated at its commencement are now sensibly felt among us. The Holy Communion has been administered 12 times.

*St. Jude's Church, Walterboro'.*

The Rev. E. E. Bellinger, Rector.

Baptisms—Adults, 5 colored; Children, 9 white, 1 colored; total, 15. Marriages, 1 white, 1 colored; total, 2. Burials, 4 white, 5 colored; total, 9. Communicants, last reported, 60 white, 21 colored; total, 81. Admitted, 4 white, 6 colored; total, 10; Removed, 3 white, 1 colored; total, 4; Died, 1 white, 1 colored; total, 2; Present number, 60 white, 25 colored; total, 85. Congregation, Non-Communicants, 58 white; Children under 14, 102 white; Families, 45 white; Families belonging also to other congregations of the P. E. Church, 8 white. Sunday School, Teachers, 12 white; Scholars, 60 white, 100 colored; total, 160. Subjects of Instruction, Church Catechism, Help to the Gospel, Help to the Acts, Watts's 1st and 2nd Catechism, Child's Scripture Question Book, Union Hymns, Collects and Hymns in Prayer Book. Public Worship, St. Jude's Church, 41 Sundays, 67 other days; whole number of times, 150; preached, 144. Bethel Church, 4 Sundays; whole number of times, 8; whole number of times preached, 158. Contributions, Communion Alms, \$122. Missions, Diocesan, \$30; Domestic, \$24; Foreign, \$40; other Church purposes, \$270; total \$486.

REMARKS.—Of the 8 families reported as "belonging also to other Congregations of the P. E. Church," 4 belong to St. Edmundsbury

Church, on Ashepoo, 3 to Church of Ascension, Combahee, and 1 to Grace Church, Charleston. In addition to the services reported above, I have taken part in 22 Prayer Meetings, Lecturing 17 times. I have officiated in Greenville twice, preached once; in Beaufort 1 Sunday, 3 times, preaching each time; in Columbia 1 Sunday, 1 other day, 4 times, preaching 3 times. In the Presbyterian Church, Walterboro', I preached once; in the Methodist Church, once, to the negroes on Mr. Godfrey's plantation once, on Mr. Oswald's plantation once, on Dr. River's plantation twice. Since 9th June, 1858, I have officiated on 47 Sundays, 94 other days, 195 times, of which I preached 182 times. Of these services 28 were for colored persons exclusively. On 6 occasions of public worship, at St. Jude's Church, I did not preach; once I only read the prayers, and 5 times brethren preached for me. I repeat the observation made in my last report, that as the majority of the congregation at the Bethel (Presbyterian) Church, are members of St. Jude's Church, I thought it proper to embrace in my regular report the services performed there. All the services performed in other Churches than St. Jude's, were performed at the request of the respective Pastors, and those on the plantations at the request of the owners.

*Report of the Rev. J. Barnwell Campbell.*

Being without special Parochial charge, I report the following official acts since the last Convention.

I have read prayers 21 times, preached on 28 occasions, baptized one white child, and performed three funeral services, two for white persons and one colored.

*St. Paul's, Pendleton*

The Rev. A. H. Cornish, Rector.

Baptisms—Adults, 2 colored; Children, 6 white, 8 colored; total, 16. Marriages, 2 colored. Burials, 1 white, 3 colored; total, 4. Communicants, last reported, 39 white, 13 colored; total, 52. Admitted, 2 white, 2 colored; total, 4; Suspended, 1 white; present number, 40 white, 15 colored; total, 55. Congregation, Non-Communicants, 38 white, colored, uncertain; Children under 14, 47 white, colored uncertain; Families, 28 white, colored uncertain. Families belonging also to other congregations of the P. E. Church, 2 white. Children catechized on several days, about 20 white, colored uncertain. Sunday School, Teachers, 5 white; Scholars, about 25. Subjects of Instruction, Church Catechism, "Beaven's Help," etc. Public Worship, St. Paul's 44 Sundays, 28 other days, whole number of times 68; Keowee, 16 Sundays, whole number of times, 16; Windberg, 18 Sundays, whole number of times, 18; other places, 2 Sundays, 2 other days, whole number of times 4; total number of times 106. Contributions, Communion Alms, \$71.50. Missions, Domestic, \$11; Foreign, \$13; other Church purposes, \$93.57; total, 189.07.



*St. Thaddæus's Church, Aiken.*

The Rev. John H. Cornish, Rector.

Baptisms—Adults, 1 white; children, 9 white, 2 colored; total, 12. Marriages, 1 white, 1 colored; total, 2; Burials, 12 white. Communicants, last reported, 42 white, 3 colored; total 45; Admitted, 8 white, 1 colored; total 9; Removed, 1 white; Died, 1 colored; Present number, 48 white, 4 colored; total, 52. Congregation, Families, 31 white, 2 colored; total, 33; Families belonging also to other congregations of the P. E. Church, 1 white. Children Catechized on 9 days, 30 white. Sunday School, Teachers, 8 white; Scholars, 51 white, 6 colored; total, 57. Subjects of Instruction, the Church Catechism, the Collects, Epistles and Gospels. Public Worship, St. Thaddæus, 47 Sundays, 37 other days; whole number of times, 135. Branchville, 1 Sunday, 8 other days; whole number, 10. Joice Branch, 1 day. Contributions, Communion Alms, \$93.17; Missions, Diocesan, \$43.74; Domestic, \$23.36; Foreign, \$29; other Church purposes, \$58.50; total, \$252 77.

REMARKS.—The Holy Communion has been administered in St. Thaddæus's Church 12 times; in private, to the sick, 8 times; at Branchville once; total, 21.

I am indebted to the Rev. Jonathan Godfrey, who has been in Aiken for a year or more, for his health, for many kind offices, and for supplying my place on several occasions, when I was absent on Missionary duty.

There is a large and inviting field for the operations of the Church, along the S. C. Rail Road, and the Savannah River, in Barnwell District, which as yet has been almost entirely neglected.

*Church of the Holy Comforter, Sumter.*

The Rev. Thos. F. Davis, Jr., and the Rev. Paul Trapier, Missionaries.

Baptisms, 3 white infants, 1 colored; total 4. Communicants, reported last year, 13 white. Admitted, 8 white; removed, 2 white; Present number, 19 white. Families 12 white. Confirmed by the Bishop, 4 white. Public worship is now held on the second and fourth Sundays in each month. Contributions, Communion Alms, \$26; General Domestic Missions, \$7; General Foreign do., \$5; Church debt, collection at a public service, \$40; private contributions by members of the congregation, about \$600; for carpeting and furnishing the Church, \$127; for a bell, \$250; Church-paling, \$200; Diocesan Theological Seminary, \$3; total, \$1,258.

This little parish has been much blessed, in being able to pay off the debt on the Church edifice, with the exception of a small sum. A resident pastor is much needed. May God raise up such an one, to whom the work may now be safely and beneficially intrusted! The Sunday School numbers six scholars. One of the ladies of the parish aids the ministers in the work of instruction.

Through the thoughtful liberality of the ladies of St. Michael's and St. Philip's congregations in Charleston, we have been provided with a very handsome Communion Sett and Font.



The monthly visits of the Rev. Mr. Trapier commenced in March last. The Church therefore enjoys at present the advantages of Sunday services each fortnight.

*St. Philip's Church, Charleston.*

The Rev. William Dehon, Rector.

Baptisms—Adults, 1 white; Children, 6 white, 4 colored; total 11. Marriages, 1 white, 1 colored. Burials, 3 white. Communicants, last reported, 296 white, 120 colored; Admitted, 7 white, 2 colored. Congregation, Non-Communicants, 190 white; Children under 14, 200 white; Families, 195 white. Children catechized on four days, 40. Confirmed by the Bishop, 7 white, 2 colored. Sunday School, Teachers, 16 white, Scholars, 50 white, 45 colored. Public Worship, St. Philip's, 18 Sundays, 46 other days; whole number of times, 83. Contributions, Communion Alms, \$335.37½; Missions, Diocesan, \$117.75; Domestic, \$239.10; Foreign, 160; Parochial Schools, \$20; other Church purposes, \$193.05; total, \$1,045 27½.

REMARKS.—Having accepted an invitation from the Vestry to become the Rector of this Church, I entered upon my duties on the second Sunday in January. My report is necessarily imperfect, embracing only a period of about four months.

*St. Bartholomew's Parish.*

The Rev. Stephen Elliott, Rector.

Baptisms—Children, colored, 4. Communicants 12 white. Families belonging to other congregations, all. Public worship on each alternate Sunday during the winter, at Edmondsbury Church. Missions, \$27. Ascension Church, Combahee, Baptism, 1 white child; Funerals, 2 white; Communicants, 14 white; Families 18 white; belonging to other Churches, all. Services on each alternate Sunday. Missions, \$30.

This Church was consecrated to the service of God in February. The congregations have continued to be of an encouraging character. May the blessing of the Lord rest and abide upon us.

*Christ Church, Combahee.*

Baptisms—Adults, 5 colored; children, 2 colored; total 7. Communicants, last reported, 150 colored; Admitted, 5; Died, 5; Present number, 150; Confirmed by Bishop, 15 colored.

This congregation, to which I have devoted much attention for many years, is composed entirely of colored persons. Service is held on every other Sunday throughout the year. The attendance continues to be uniform, and the work is not without tokens of the Divine blessing.

*Christ Church Parish.*

The Rev. John R. Fell, Rector.

Having been prevented by sickness from making a report last year, I have embodied in that which is now submitted all the more important matter which would have appeared in the former.

Baptisms—Adults, 1 white, 37 colored; Children, 16 white, 35 colored; total, 99. Marriages, 3 white. Burials, 17 white, 4 colored; total 21. Communicants, Admitted, 7 white; Died, 1 white; Present number, 50 white, from 30 to 40 colored. Congregation, Non-Communicants, 23 white; Children under 14, 43 white; Families, 28 white; Families belonging also to other congregations of P. E. Church, 9 white. Confirmed by the Bishop, 7 white, 41 colored; total 48. Public Worship, Parish Church 21 Sundays, 2 other days; whole number of times, 23. St. Andrew's Chapel, 14 Sundays; Services for Negroes, 13 Sundays, 3 other days; whole number of times, 16; total 53. Contributions, Domestic Missions, \$14.50; Foreign, \$12; Benevolent Purposes, \$77; total \$103.50.

REMARKS.—For any deficiency of services for the year, under the head of Public Worship, as also for any imperfection in the specifications of the report, my protracted sickness, for nearly six months, must account.

*St. Luke's Church, Charleston.*

The Rev. Christopher P. Gadsden, Rector.

Baptisms—Adults, 1 white, 1 colored; Children, 13 white, 17 colored; total 32. Marriages, 4 colored. Burials, 6 white, 4 colored; total 10. Communicants, last reported, 53 white, 19 colored, total 71; Admitted, 12 white, 6 colored, total 18; Removed, 1; died, 1; Present number, 92 white, 32 colored, total 124. Congregation, Non-Communicants, 40; Children under 14, 112 white, 14 colored, total 126; Families, 49 white, 18 colored, total 61. Children catechized on 12 days. Confirmed by the Bishop, 11 white, 6 colored, total 17. Sunday Schools, Teachers, 11 white, 7 colored; Scholars, 80 white, 45 colored, total 125. Subjects of Instruction, Church Catechism, Bp. Burgess's Catechism for Beginners, Union Questions, Watts's Catechism and Hymns, Collects and Hymns from Prayer-book. Public Worship, St. Luke's Temporary Building, 33 Sundays, 35 other days; whole number of times, 115. Contributions, Communion Alms, \$119.45; Domestic Missions, \$234; Foreign Missions, \$163; other Church Purposes, \$858; total \$1,371.45.

REMARKS.—The Rector, for the benefit of the health of a member of his family, was, with the consent of the Vestry, absent in Europe from the 17th of July to the 12th of December, during which time he is indebted to the kindness of several of his brethren in occasionally opening the temporary Church.

A lot has been purchased at the north east corner of Elizabeth and Charlotte streets, upon which site it is proposed to commence immediately the erection of a church edifice.

*St. Paul's Church, Stono, and St. Paul's Church, Summerville.*

The Rev. Philip Gadsden, Rector.

Baptisms—Children, 2 white, 2 colored; total 4. Marriages, 3 white, 1 colored; total 4. Burials 4 white. Communicants, Present number, 28 white, 2 colored; total 30. Congregation, Non-Communicants, 26

white; Children under 14, 32 white; Families, 24 white. Public Worship, St. Paul's, 34 Sundays, 6 other days; whole number of times, 40. Contributions, Communion Alms, \$96.16; Advancement Society, \$12; Domestic Missions, \$10; Foreign Missions, \$10; To suffering sick in Charleston, \$55; total, \$183.16.

REMARKS.—The Rector having been absent from his parish, and having been sick during several months of the year past, has but an imperfect report to make at this time. For some time, in his absence, the Church in Summerville was served by a communicant acting as a Lay Reader, and the Sunday Schools were attended to by their respective teachers. In the spring and summer seasons, our Church in Summerville is well attended by strangers from Charleston and other places, and our communicants then number much more than those reported in the table.

*Church of the Messiah, North Santee.*

The Rev. T. J. Girardeau, Rector.

Baptisms—Adult, 1 white, 1 colored; Children, 3 white, 22 colored; total, 27. Marriages, 2 white, 2 colored; total 4. Burials, 15 white, 12 colored; total 27. Communicants, last reported, 20 white; Admitted, 5 white; Present number, 25 white, about 200 colored. Congregation, Non-Communicants, 37 white, colored unknown; children under 14, 44 white; Families, 24 white. Public Worship, Church of the Messiah, 27 times; St. Philip's, Charleston, and other Churches, 40 times; Sundry Chapels, 88 times; total, 155. Contributions, Diocesan Missions, \$30; Domestic Missions, \$40; Foreign Missions, \$45; other Church Purposes, \$1,600; total \$1,715.

REMARKS.—During the months of August, September and October, I officiated in St. Philip's Church, Charleston; the items of which work are embodied in the above report.

*All-Saints', Waccamaw.*

The Rev. Alex'r. Glennie, Rector, the Rev. Lucien C. Lance, Assistant Minister, the Rev. J. H. Quinby, Missionary, Mr. D. D. Rosa, Catechist.

Baptisms—Adults, 19 colored; Children, 6 white, 77 colored; total, 102. Marriages, 35 colored. Burials, 4 white, 18 colored; total 22. Communicants, last reported, 45 white, 236 colored, total 281; Admitted, 53 colored; removed, 5 white, 20 colored, total 25; Withdrew, 2 colored; Died, 7 colored; Suspended, 3 colored; Present number, 40 white, 257 colored; total 297. Congregation, Non-Communicants, 25 white; Children under 14, 37 white; Families, 27 white. Families belonging also to other Congregations of the P.E. Church, 3. Children catechized on 23 days, 17 white, 671 colored on 550 days. Confirmed by the Bishop, 71 colored. Public Worship, Parish Church, 24 Sundays, 8 other days; whole number of times, 32; Southern Church, 24 Sundays, 2 other days; whole number of times, 26. Church of St. John the Evangel-



ist, 23 Sundays, 3 other days; whole number of times, 26. Service for negroes on 18 plantations, &c., whole number of times, 419; total 503. Contributions, Communion Alms, \$165.41; Domestic Missions, \$245; Foreign Missions, \$234.65; Schools for the Poor, \$405; other Church purposes, \$464.50; total, \$1,514.56.

REMARKS.—During the Bishop's visit in April, the Church of St. John the Evangelist was consecrated.

One plantation chapel has been added to the number hitherto reported; present number 13.

The Rev. Henry L. Phillips retired from his duties as missionary at the end of December, and was succeeded by the Rev. J. H. Quinby. By their aid the Rector has been enabled to carry on the missionary work among the negroes of an estate comprising five plantations, which estate has provided the funds for their support.

Mr. Rosa commenced his duties on January 1st, having been engaged by one of our planters to give religious instruction, under the Rector, to his own people.

The largest class of negro children is 92, the smallest 5.

*Christ Church, Charleston.*

The Rev. J. Merceir Green, Rector.

Baptisms—Adults, 2 white; children, 10 white; total, 12. Burials, 11 white, 1 colored; total, 12. Communicants, present number, 12 white. Congregation, fluctuating. Confirmed by the Bishop, 4 white. Sunday School, Teachers, 7 white, 1 colored; total, 8; Scholars, 25 white, 22 colored; total, 47. Public Worship, Christ Church, 48 Sundays, 17 other days; whole number of times, 112. Contributions, Communion Alms, \$36.63; from other sources, \$167.61; other Church purposes, \$6.88; total, 211.12.

REMARKS.—This Church, on account of its location, is very slow in assuming the character of an organized congregation. The attendance, (which is generally very good, although sometimes, owing to various causes, very small,) is composed principally of persons belonging to other places of worship, or those who will not connect themselves with any settled congregation. A few, however, have signified their intention of becoming permanent members, and we are gradually gaining ground. Some have made profession of their faith in Christ, and I trust are "growing in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ." I have endeavored, by God's assistance to preach the Gospel; to hold up Christ, and I trust and pray that my labor may not be in vain, and that the spirit of Christ may rest upon us.

*St. David's, Cheraw.*

The Rev. Alexander Gregg, Rector.

Baptisms—Children, 4 white. Marriages, 7 white, 6 colored; total, 13. Burials, 5 white, 1 colored; total 6. Communicants, last reported, 52 white, 7 colored; total, 59; Admitted, 1 white; Removed, 4 white; Withdrew, 1 white; Suspended, 1 white; present number, 47 white,



7 colored,; total, 54. Congregation, Non-Communicants, 50 white, colored, uncertain; children under 14, 65 white, colored, uncertain; Families, 35 white. Sunday School, Teachers, 6 white; Scholars, 36 white, 20 colored; total, 56. Subjects of Instruction, Scripture Lessons, Church Catechism, Collects, Hymns, &c.

*Trinity Church, Edgefield.*

The Rev. B. E. Habersham, Rector and Missionary.

Baptisms—Children, 5 white. Marriages, 1 white; Burials, 1 colored. Communicants, last reported, white, 20, colored, 2; total, 22. Admitted, 1 white; Removed, 2; present number, 21. Non-Communicants, 28 white; children under 14, about 35. Families, 20. Sunday School, Teachers 3; Scholars, white 15, colored 30. Public Worship, at Trinity Church, Sundays 35, other days 11; Mrs. Brooks's, Sundays 10, other places 6; total of services, 102. Contributions, Communion Alms, \$40.75; appropriated to Foreign and Domestic Missions, \$20; Diocesan and Parochial purposes, \$15; Advancement Society, \$6. The Ladies of the Church have also raised about \$160 for Church repairs.

REMARKS.—The work in this Parish must, from the extent of the field of labour, and the distance of the families apart, for a long time, be chiefly Missionary and itinerant. The Minister has very little to encourage the hope of immediate results of any kind, however, though his ministrations have not been without encouragement, especially in the gathering of country congregations; while the prevalence of irregular and false doctrine, together with the active efforts being made by Romanists and Universalists seem to call for the maintenance of this mission as the imperative duty of this Diocese.

*St. Luke's, Newberry.*

The Rev. C. R. Hains, Deacon, Missionary.

Burials, 1 white. Communicants, Admitted, 2 white; present number, 14 white. Congregation, Non-Communicants, 25 white; Children under 14, 8 white; Families, 7 white. Public Worship, St. Luke's, 12 Sundays, 1 other day; whole number of times, 25.

*Church of the Epiphany, Laurens.*

The Rev. C. R. Hains, Deacon, Missionary.

Communicants—No report last year; Admitted, 2 white; present number, 7. Congregation, Non-Communicants, 100 white; Children under 14, 25 white; Families, 3 white. Children catechized on three Sundays, 38 white. Sunday School, Teachers, 5 white. Public Worship, Epiphany, 19 Sundays, 10 other days; whole number of times, 49; Trinity, Abbeville, 2 Sundays; whole number of times 4; Maryland, 1 Sunday; Combahee, 1 Sunday; whole number of times, 1. Contributions, Communion Alms, \$2.10; other Church purposes, \$545; total, \$547.10. Of this amount I have been paid \$150.

*St. Paul's Church, Radcliffeboro'.*

The Rev. Ch. Hanckel, D. D., Rector.

Baptisms—Adults, 1 white, 1 colored; Children, 46 white, 9 colored; total, 57. Marriages, 13 white, 1 colored; total, 14. Burials, 36 white, 5 colored; total, 41. Communicants, last reported, 254 whites, 54 colored; total, 308; Admitted, 43 white, 14 colored; total, 57; Removed, 25 white, 8 colored; total, 33; Died, 11 white, 2 colored; total, 13; present number, 261 white, 58 colored; total, 319. Congregation, Non-Communicants, 267 white, 88 colored; total, 355; Children under 14, 235 white, 122 colored; total, 357; Families, 181 white, 35 colored; total, 216; Families belonging also to other congregations of the P. E. Church, not ascertained. Children Catechized on 24 days, about 50 white; colored, about 30; total, 80. Confirmed by the Bishop, 20 white, 14 colored; total, 34. Sunday School, Teachers, 9 white, 3 colored; total, 12; Scholars, about 70 white, about 25 colored; total, 95. Subjects of Instruction, Catechism, Prayer Book and Bible. Public Worship, St. Paul's each Sunday in the year, morning and evening; Wednesdays, Lent days and other Feast and Fast days of the Church. Contributions, Communion Alms, \$1143.69; Missions, Diocesan, \$413.58; Domestic, \$911.19; Foreign, 299.98; other Church purposes, \$3,000; total, \$5,768.44.

REMARKS.—Amount collected by mendicant Clergymen unknown, but not less than three thousand dollars the past year.

The report embraces two years, because the report of the last year was lost or mislaid.

The Sunday School languishes for the want of teachers.

*St. Thomas and St. Dennis's.*

The Rev. J. S. Hanckel, Rector.

The Rev. E. C. Logan, Teacher and Missionary.

Baptisms—Adults, 1 colored; Children, 3 white, 28 colored; total, 32. Marriages, 4 colored. Burials, 2 white, 2 colored; total, 4. Communicants, present number, 35 white, 107 colored; total, 142. Congregation, Non-Communicants, 33 white, colored uncertain; Children under 14, 45 white, colored uncertain; Families, 26 white, colored uncertain; Families belonging also to other congregations of the P. E. Church, 16 white, colored uncertain. Confirmed by the Bishop, 3 white. Contributions, Missions, Diocesan, \$25; Foreign, \$30; other Church purposes, \$634.28. Total, \$689.28.

REMARKS.—The Rector has preached in St. Thomas's 75 times; at Dunn's Rock, N. C., 43 times; in Charleston twice; total, 120.

The Missionary has preached 95 times. The Parish Church has been thoroughly repaired and additional accommodations provided, and another chapel for negroes (that of Mr. C. A. Trenholm) has been built.

*Calvary Church, Charleston.*

The Rev. Wm. H. Hanckel, Rector.

Baptisms—Adults, 1 colored ; Children, 11 colored ; total, 12. Marriages, 2 white, 5 colored ; total, 7. Burials, 9 white, 4 colored ; total, 13. Communicants, last reported, 9 white, 58 colored ; total, 67 ; Admitted, 3 colored ; Removed, 2 colored ; Suspended, 2 colored ; present number, 9 white, 57 colored ; total, 66. Congregation, Non-Communicants, white uncertain, colored do.; Children under 14, 11 white, colored uncertain. Sunday School, Teachers, 17 white ; Scholars, attendance of from 80 white to 100 colored. Subjects of Instruction, Church Catechism, Rev. Mr. Trapier's Catechisms, Rev. Mr. Glennie on Church Service, Watts's Hymns, &c. Public Worship, Calvary Church, 116 times ; other Churches, 17 times ; whole number of times, 133. Contributions, Communion Alms, \$31.16. Missions, Foreign, \$33.90 ; other Church purposes, \$28.60 ; total, \$93.66

*Prince George, Winjaw.*

The Rev. R. T. Howard, Rector.

Baptisms—Adults, 2 colored ; Children, 8 white ; total, 10. Marriages, 1 white, 1 colored ; total, 2. Burials, 2 white, 1 colored ; total, 3. Communicants, last reported, 52 white, 17 colored ; total, 69 ; Admitted, 2 white, 4 colored ; total, 6 ; Removed, 2 white ; present number, 52 white, 21 colored ; total, 73. Congregation, Non-Communicants, 72 white ; Children under 14. 55 white ; Families, 41 white. Children Catechized every Sunday. Confirmed by the Bishop, 5 white, 1 colored ; total, 6. Sunday School, Teachers, 3 white ; Scholars, 18 white, 15 colored ; total, 33. Public Worship, Prince George, Winjaw, 52 Sundays, 44 other days ; whole number of times, 95. Contributions, Communion Alms, \$151.85 ; Missions, Diocesan, \$350.12 ; Domestic, \$5 ; Foreign, \$36.05 ; total, \$543.12.

*Lower St. Johns, Berkley.*

The Rev. W. B. W. Howe, Rector.

Baptisms—Adults, 1 colored ; Children, 5 white, 35 colored ; total, 41. Marriages, 1 white. Burials, 2 white, 2 colored ; total 4. Communicants, last reported, 46 white, 225 colored ; total, 271 ; Admitted, 12 colored ; Removed, 2 white ; Died, 2 white, 5 colored ; total, 7 ; Suspended, 3 colored ; present number, 49 white, 260 colored ; total, 309. Congregation, Non-Communicants, 33 white ; Families, 23 white ; Families belonging also to other congregations of the P. E. Church, 4 white. Public Worship, No. of places 15, 48 Sundays, 56 other days ; whole number of times, 154. Contributions to objects Charitable and Missionary, \$335.25.

*Prince Frederick's Parish.*

The Rev. Joseph Hunter, Rector.

Baptisms—Children, 2 white, 16 colored ; total, 18. Marriages, 1 colored. Burials, 1 white. Communicants, last reported, 27 white, 50



colored; total, 77; Admitted, 3 white, 1 colored; total, 4; Removed, 2 white, 19 colored; total 21; present number, 28 white, 32 colored; total, 60. Congregation, Non-Communicants, 20 white; Children under 14, 36 white; Families, 15 white; Families belonging also to other congregations of the P. E. Church, 5 white. Children Catechized, 140 colored, in 5 classes, 40 times. Confirmed by the Bishop, 2 white. Public worship, Prince Frederick, 23 Sundays, 11 other days, whole number of times, 34; on plantations to colored people, 8 Sundays, 3 other days, whole number of times, 11; total, 102. Contributions, Communion Alms, \$55.68. Missions, Diocesan, \$15; Domestic, \$126; Educational, \$30; other Church purposes, \$101.53; total, \$328.21.

*St. Helena, St. Helena Island.*

The Rev. J. Theodore Hutcheson, officiating.

The following Report extends to the 16th of January of the present year, at which time I entered upon my duties.

Baptisms—Adults, 3 white. Marriages, 1 white, 1 colored; total 2. Burials, 1 white. Communicants, last reported, 32 white, 8 colored; Admitted 7 white; Removed 7 white; Present number, 32 white, 8 colored; total 40. Children under 14, 18 white. Public Worship, 16 Sundays, 2 other days. Contributions, Communion Alms, \$7.20; Church Home, \$10; Missions, Diocesan, \$100; Domestic, \$30; Foreign, \$20; Special for Florida, \$75; total \$242.20.

REMARKS.—During the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of the Rev. Wm. Johnson, in June last, the Parish was frequently favored with services by the Rev. Charles E. Leverett.

*St. James's, Santee.*

The Rev. N. Hyatt, Rector.

Baptisms—Adults, colored, 19; Children, white, 1; colored 46; total 66. Communicants, last reported, 27 white, 413 colored, total 440; Admitted 8 white, 40 colored, total 48; Removed, 2 white, 24 colored, total 26; Died, 2 whites, 5 colored, total 7; present number, 31 whites, 424 colored, total 455. Congregation, Non-Communicants, 70 white; Children under 14, 77 white; Families, 36 white; Families belonging also to other congregations of P. E. Church, 12. Public Worship, Parish Church, 25 Sundays, 3 other days; Hampton Chapel, 20 Sundays; Sea shore, 10 Sundays; on Plantations, 71 times; total 129. Contributions, Communion Alms, \$32.56; Advancement Society, \$16; Chapel on Sea shore, \$250; other Church purposes, \$79; total \$377.50.

*St. John's, Colleton.*

The Rev. P. G. Jenkins, Missionary.

Baptisms—Adults, 1 white, 21 colored; Children, 3 white, 21 colored; total, 46. Marriages, 1 white. Burials, 1 white. Communicants, last reported, 25 colored; Admitted, 2 white, 22 colored, total 24; Removed, 1 colored; Suspended, 1 colored; Present number, 2 white, 47 colored; total, 49. Congregation, Children under 14, 2 white, 200 colored,



total 202; Families, 1 white, colored unknown. Children catechized on Sundays and week days, 3 white, 200 colored; total, 203. Confirmed by the Bishop, 3 white, 19 colored; total, 22. Sunday Schools, Scholars, 3 white, 200 colored; total, 203. Subjects of Instruction, Church Catechism and Church Service. Public Worship, 52 Sundays; whole number of times, 52.

REMARKS.—The missionary feels grateful to God for the constant and full attendance of his flock at the appointed hours of service on the Lord's holy day. The Chapel, when consecrated, will be called Zion Chapel. The attendance of whites is also numerous, sometimes we need more space for the comfort of the people. May the Holy Spirit not only lead them to the earthly sanctuary, but also conduct their souls, in His own good time to those eternal mansions which a gracious Saviour promises to prepare for all who love and serve Him faithfully in His Holy Church.

*Trinity Church, Abbeville.*

The Rev. B. Johnson, Rector.

Baptisms, 4 infant, 1 adult, total 5. Communion 9 times, Laurens 1, Anderson 1, total 11. Burials, 2 adults, 1 infant. Marriages, 2 white, 1 colored. Sunday scholars, about 20 white. Communicants, 37 white, 15 colored. (In Anderson, 7 white, 3 colored.) Families, 23. Divine Service (always with preaching.) In Abbeville, 90 times; Anderson, 17; Laurens, 5; Newberry, twice; elsewhere, 12 times; total, 126. Collections in Abbeville: for New Church, there has been raised about \$4,000; Salary of Minister, \$550; Communion Alms, \$40; Collection for Advancement Society, \$25; other purposes, about \$25; total, \$4,640. In Abbeville there are eight or ten candidates for confirmation, awaiting a visit from the Bishop. God's blessing has rested upon our work, and some very important results in the conversion of souls have taken place. Our congregation generally have been also awakened to deeper interest in the truth and work of God. These facts, in conjunction with the work of erecting a new church, render our condition a most interesting one at this time. Chiefly do we desire that God may use his Church here for the conversion of souls. It is such prosperity as this that we pray him especially to send us.

We record with sincere gratitude the valuable help which our friends throughout the State are rendering us, towards building (what we more and more need) a new and larger Church. We expect to have this work done by January 1st. In the meantime will not some of our liberal friends give us a special contribution for an organ or a bell? We have provided for a gothic building, with very plain finishings. We have *ventured*, however, upon a *chancel window*, which will constitute the chief, if not the only adornment of the Church. Is there not some liberal friend in the Church who would give us the means of staining this? It would greatly enhance the value and beauty of our Church, and stand as a memorial of his generosity.

But chiefly, brethren! pray for us, that the Word of God may have free course and be glorified.

*Anderson Court House.*

I am happy to report, that there is a considerable accession of interest in our services at this place. Between \$1500 and \$2000 have been raised for a new Church, which is at last about being built. A Building Committee has been appointed, with instructions to go to work *immediately*, upon a wooden building to cost \$2500. The plans are being prepared for the work, and we hope to have it ready by the fall. We have every assurance that the Church will succeed here. An "effectual door is opened, though there are many adversaries."

*St. Stephen's and Upper St. John's.*

The Rev. R. P. Johnson, Rector.

Baptisms—Adults, 4 colored; Children, 4 white, 113 colored; total, 121. Marriages, 2 white. Burials, 4 white. Communicants, last reported, 50 white, 299 colored; total, 349; Admitted, 1 white; Removed, 3 white; Suspended 1 colored; Present number, 50 white, 300 colored; total, 350. Congregation, Non-Communicants, 42 white; Children under 14, 50 white; Families, 32 white, Children catechized on 97 days, 20 white, 330 colored; total, 350. Sunday Schools, Teachers, 5 white; Scholars, 20 white. Public Worship, St. Stephen's, 11 Sundays, 12 other days; whole number of times, 23; Epiphany, 10 Sundays, 1 other day; whole number of times, 11. Contributions, Communion Alms, \$91.38; Missions, Domestic, \$130; Foreign, 82; Total, \$303.38.

REMARKS.—Besides the above-mentioned services, divine worship has been celebrated on fourteen plantations; on Sundays and week days, 123 times.

This report contains the services performed by the former Rector, Rev. W. Dehon and the Rev. J. H. Quinby, Missionary, as well as those performed by myself since taking charge of the Parish, on the second Sunday in February last.

*Report of the Church on Edisto Island, for the period from July 15th, 1858, to May 11th, 1859.*

The Rev. Wm. Johnson, Rector.

In the interval between the close of my report to the last Convention, and my removal to this Parish, I officiated as Rector of St. Helena's Church, St. Helena Island, performing service on four Sundays. The present Report, for the Church on Edisto Island, dates from July 20th, 1858.

Baptisms—Adults, 1 white, 43 colored; Children, 5 white, 8 colored; total 57. Burials, 1 white, 1 colored; total 2. Communicants, Admitted, 7 white, 43 colored; Died, 1 colored; Suspended, 1 colored; Present number 37 white, 89 colored; total 126. Congregation, Non-Communicants, 23; Children under 14, 27 white; Families, 20 white; Families belonging also to other congregations of P. E. Church, 2 white. Children catechized on three days, 19 white. Confirmed by the Bishop, 4 white, 58 colored; total 62. Sunday Schools, Number of Teachers, 8 white; Number of Scholars, 20 white, 50 colored; total

70. Subjects of Instruction, Church Catechism, Questions on St. Matthew. Public Worship; Church on Edisto Island, 23 Sundays, 3 other days; St. Stephen's Chapel, Edingsville, 17 Sundays, 29 other days; on plantations for colored people, 37 times; whole number of times 99. Contributions, Communion Alms, \$50.34; Diocesan Missions, \$50; Domestic Missions, \$30; Foreign Missions, \$25; other Church purposes, \$150; total, \$395.34.

REMARKS.—During the winter and spring months I conducted service for the colored people at the Church, and catechized candidates for baptism, at the close of the morning service; in the afternoon I performed service at some of the plantations, and catechized again. During the summer and fall I officiated for them in the same manner, once a month, in the Church on the Island.

*Church of the Advent, Spartanburg.*

The Rev. Clement F. Jones, D.D., Rector.

Baptisms—Adult, 1 white; Children, 6 white, 1 colored; total 8. Communicants, last reported, 21 white; Admitted, 5 white; Removed, 2 white; Died, 1 white; Present number 23. Children catechized once a month. Public Worship, Church of the Advent, 34 Sundays, 15 other days: total 56. Contributions, Communion Alms, \$23.78; other Church purposes, \$40; total \$63.78.

*Report of Calvary Church, Glenn Springs.*

Rev. Clement F. Jones, D. D., Rector.

To furnish accurate statistics of this Parish is at present impracticable, as it is in a state of transition. Services have been held there on thirteen Sundays, as it was originally fixed by agreement with the Vestry. This Parish has recently expressed a desire that I should devote myself to it exclusively, and with this view offer a considerable increase of stipend. As I find, that to serve distant Parishes, is incompatible with my health, and that of my two Parishes, the one at Glenn Springs is decidedly the most improving, I have concluded to accept the offer, and have accordingly resigned the Rectorship of the Church of the Advent, Spartanburg, from the 1st day of July next.

It is to be hoped that, with the Divine help, some arrangement will be speedily effected for the supply of its spiritual wants.

*St. Michael's Church, Charleston.*

The Rev. P. Trapier Keith, Rector.

The Rev. James H. Elliott, Assistant Minister.

Baptisms—Children, 15 white, 5 colored; total, 20. Marriages, 4 white, 2 colored. Burials, 32 white, 7 colored. Communicants, last reported, about 340 white, and about 34 colored; Admitted, 2 white, 1 colored; Died, 3 white, 1 colored; present number, about 339 white, and about 34 colored. Congregation, Non-Communicants, about 200 white; Children under 14, about 175 white; Families, about 175



white. Children catechized on 8 days, about 80 white. Confirmed by the Bishop, 1 white. Sunday School, Teachers. 9 white; Scholars, 62 white. Public Worship, St. Michael's Church, 52 Sundays; about 150 other days; whole number of times about 250. Contributions, Communion Alms, \$769. Missions, Diocesan \$568.17; Domestic, 397.92; Foreign, 130.25; other Church purposes, \$351.10; Sunday School, Africa, \$20; Student at Nashotah, \$25; Calvary, \$7.74; Sisters of Charity, \$218.05; Special Contributions, \$80, do. \$60; Working Society, \$190; total, \$2817.23.

REMARKS.—The Assistant Minister meets a female Bible class, and holds a service for colored persons once a week, and instructs a colored Sunday School. Of the burials reported, only ten were of persons connected with St. Michael's Church, and very few of the whole number have been interred in the yard of the Church.

*Trinity Church, Society Hill.*

The Rev. John Steinfort Kidney, Rector.

Baptisms—Children, 2 white. Marriages, 1 white. Communicants, last reported, 22 white, colored, 3; total, 25; present number, 22 white, 3 colored; total, 25. Congregation, Non-Communicants, 12 white, 2 colored; total, 14; Children under 14, 33 white; Families, 12 white, 3 colored; total, 15. Children Catechized on Sundays, 20 white. Public Worship, Trinity Church, Society Hill, 47 Sundays, 35 other days; whole number of times, 129. Contributions, Communion Alms, \$49.25. Missions, Diocesan, \$34.10; Domestic, \$53.80; total, \$137.15.

REMARKS.—I have also held service and preached, on Thursdays, in the District of Chesterfield, 25 times.

*Report of Rev. C. E. Leverett.*

After his resignation, he occupied the pulpit of a brother Clergyman, during his absence in Georgia, for several Sundays, and officiated in Beaufort, a few times, at the request of the Rector. Nearly every Sunday, when unoccupied, by ministerial duties elsewhere, he has acted as Missionary to the servants at Little Canaan, except once, when he preached at St. Stephen's, Beaufort Island, in the absence of the pastor.

In July he was invited to the temporary charge of St. Helena Island Parish, which invitation being accepted, he was soon after asked to form a permanent connection. Not wishing at that time to be otherwise than temporarily engaged, he declined a very kind offer, but served the Church for several months. For the same reason, a renewed invitation was declined, and as an incumbent was obtained, he has since confined his services to the people on his place, and the members of his household.



*St. Matthew's Chapel, Providence.*

The Rev. T. N. Lucas, Missionary.

Baptisms—Adults, 1 white; Children, 3 white. Communicants, 5 white; Admitted, 2 white; Removed, 1 white; Died, 1 white; present number, 5 white. Marriages, 1 white. Families, 2 white. Public Worship, on each Sunday throughout the year as the rule. Communion Alms \$14.50.

My connexion with the Chapel will terminate with the close of the present year, but I think it right to observe, that, in my opinion, this place, as a Missionary point, is not altogether so unimportant as the above figures would seem to indicate.

*St. John's and St. Stephen's, Fairfield.*

The Rev. John D. McCollough, late Rector.

Baptisms—Children, 5 white, 5 colored; total, 10. Burials 1 white. Communicants, last reported, 37 white, 10 colored; total, 47; Admitted, 1 white, 1 colored; Removed, 5 white; Died, 1 colored; present number, 33 white, 10 colored; total, 43. Congregation, Non-Communicants, 24 white, 5 colored; total, 29; Children under 14, 32 white, about 120 colored. Families, 22 white, colored unknown. Public Worship, St. John's, Winsboro,' 23 Sundays, 22 other days; whole number of times, 63; St. Stephen's, Ridgeway, 8 Sundays; on plantations, for servants, 10 Sundays; total number of times, 81. Holy Communion administered in public, 6 times, in private 3 times. Contributions, Communion Alms, \$35.45. Missions, Diocesan, \$10.50; Domestic, \$10; other Church purposes, unknown; total, \$55.95.

REMARKS.—Besides the above, while engaged in Missionary work in the Districts of Union, Chester, &c., I have performed Divine Service on 2 Sundays and 7 other days; whole number of times, 10; and with the consent of the Rector, in the Parish of the Church of the Advent, Spartanburg, I have baptized 1 adult, and administered the Communion in private to a sick person. While I was absent on this Missionary duty, the Rev. Mr. Obear kindly performed such services as were demanded.

*Report of Mission to Union District from January 1st to May 11th, 1859.*

The Rev. John D. McCollough, Missionary.

Baptisms—1 white child. Holy Communion administered, once. Communicants, last reported, 8 white; Admitted, 2 white; Removed, 1 white; present number, 9 white. Non-Communicants, 5 white; Children under 14, 27 white; Families, 7 white.

REMARKS.—Having undertaken this small but interesting charge, with the approbation of the Bishop; I have, since the 1st of January, performed public service, on every Sunday, when not hindered by inclement weather, and one other day; whole number of times, 23.

We meet for worship in the Male Academy of the village, waiting in hope for the time when the aid of brethren, more blessed than we,

shall enable us to occupy a beautiful sanctuary which has already been advanced far towards completion by efforts which are, I venture to say, unparalleled in our Diocese. Who will help us?

A Sunday School is just begun, which, it is hoped, may be an efficient aid in the work of planting the Church here.

*Report of the Rev. David McElheran.*

The health of the Rector of Christ Church Parish requiring a change during the past summer, I have partially officiated in his stead in the Chapel at Mount Pleasant until the 1st of January, at which time I retired from active duties, the Rector having some time previously returned with his health somewhat improved.

*St. John's Chapel, Hampstead.*

The Rev. Alexander W. Marshall, D.D., Missionary.

Baptisms—Adults, 7 white, 16 colored; children, 24 white, 26 colored; total, 73. Marriages, 4 white, 13 colored; total, 17. Burials, 49 white, 15 colored; total, 64. Communicants, last reported, 76 white, 49 colored; total, 125. Admitted, 11 white; Removed, 6 white, 3 colored; total, 9; Withdrew, 1 white; Died, 1 white, 2 colored; total, 3. Present number, 79 white, 44 colored; total, 123. Families belonging also to other congregations of the P. E. Church, 1 white. Children catechized on 11 days. Confirmed by the Bishop, 15 white, 19 colored; total, 34. Sunday School Teachers, 12 white; Scholars 88 white, 30 colored; total, 118. Subjects of Instruction, books of our General Sunday School Union. Public Worship, St. John's Chapel, Hampstead, 47 Sundays, and the City Alms House, 101 other days; whole number of times, 222. Contributions, Communion Alms, \$103.46; other Church purposes, \$190 for organist.

REMARKS.—The Lord's Supper has been administered on the third Sunday of every month, and on the Festivals.

*St. James, James Island.*

The Rev. Stiles Mellichamp, Rector and Missionary.

Baptisms—Adults, 7 white, 5 colored; Children, 3 white, 3 colored; total 12. Marriages, 1 white. Burials, 2 white, 10 colored; total 12. Communicants, last reported, 19 white, 43 colored; total, 62. Admitted, 7 colored; Removed, 1 white; Died, 2 white, 2 colored; total, 4; Suspended, 1 colored; Present number, 16 white, 47 colored; total, 63. Congregation, Non-Communicants, 30 white, 60 colored; total, 90; children under 14, 19 white; Families, 10 white. Families belonging also to other Congregations of the P. E. Church, 1 white. Children catechized at close of summer. Sunday School, Teachers, 4 white; Scholars, 9 white, 40 colored; total, 49. Public Worship, St. James's Church every Sunday but three, 2 other days; whole number of times, 136. Contributions, Communion Alms, \$18.22; Missions, Domestic, \$25; Foreign, \$18.04; other Church purposes, \$373; total, \$434.26.

REMARKS.—My ministrations are somewhat altered since the last report. Instead of one sermon to the white people, in summer, I now give the congregation two, and every fourth Sunday morning is devoted to the blacks; otherwise, things are as last reported. There is now a considerable interest awakened among the negroes; I have lately added seven to communion, and more are now deeply impressed and on trial. O Lord, revive thy work.

*Christ Church, Mar's Bluff.*

The Rev. Augustus Moore, Rector.

Baptisms—Adults, 1 colored. Marriages, 2 white. Burials, 4 white. Communicants, last reported, 6 white, 11 colored; total, 17. Admitted, 1 white, 2 colored; total, 3; Removed, 2 colored; Suspended, 1 colored; Present number, 7 white, 10 colored; total, 17. Public Worship, Christ Church, Mar's Bluff, for white congregation, 43 Sundays; 3 other days; for colored congregation, 40 Sundays; whole number of times, 86. Contributions, Communion Alms, \$20.95; other Church purposes, \$54.56; total, \$85.51.

*The Good Shepherd, Yorkville.*

The Rev. A. F. Olmsted, late Rector.

Baptisms—Children, 3 white, 5 colored; total, 8. Burials, 1 white. Communicants, last reported, 26 white; Admitted, 1 white; Removed, 7 white; present number, 20 white. Congregation, Non-Communicants, average attendance from 80 to 100; Families, 12. Public Worship, Good Shepherd, Yorkville, 28 Sundays; 6 other days; whole number of times, 34. Contributions, Communion Alms, \$35.55. Missions, Diocesan, \$39.50; Domestic, \$17; total, \$92.05.

REMARKS.—I resigned the charge of this Parish in January of the present year, on my removal to Chester, but have still continued to officiate here, by request of the Vestry, until my successor can be obtained.

The attendance upon the services of the Church, during the past year, has been very good, and the prospects here are, altogether encouraging.

*St. Mark's, Chester.*

The Rev. A. F. Olmsted, Rector.

Burials, 1 white. Communicants, present number, 5 white. Congregation, Non-Communicants, average attendance about 50; Families, 8. Sunday School, Teachers, 3 white; Scholars, 11 white. Subjects of Instruction, Beaven's Catechism. Public Worship, St. Mark's, 16 Sundays, 1 other day; whole number of times, 17. Contributions, Communion Alms, \$12.15. Missions, Diocesan, \$12.46; total, \$24.61.

REMARKS.—I removed from Yorkville to this Parish in January of this year. The Church here has been completed during the past year, and is ready for consecration. A most commendable zeal and liberality have been manifested by the friends of the Church, in this place, in



the fitting up the Church for Divine worship, and in the laying out and beautifying of the adjoining grounds.

An increasing interest in the Church seems to be felt here, and I trust, that by God's blessing, the advantages now enjoyed by the congregation, in a resident minister and more frequent ministrations, will not be without some corresponding fruits.

*Grace Church, Charleston.*

The Rev. C. C. Pinckney, Rector.

The Rev. B. B. Sams, Missionary.

Baptisms—Adults, 1 white; Children, 19 white, 5 colored; total, 25. Marriages, 4 white, 1 colored; total, 5. Burials, 22 white, 4 colored; total, 26. Communicants, last reported, 194 white, 21 colored; total, 215. Admitted, 26 white; Removed, 8 white; Died, 6 white; present number, 206 white; total, 227. Congregation, Non-Communicants, 200 white, 20 colored; total, 220; Children under 14, 270 white, 24 colored; total 294; Families, 162 white, 20 colored; total, 182. Children catechized on 6 days, 70 white. Confirmed by the Bishop, 18 white. Sunday School, Teachers, 17 white; Scholars, 108 white, 12 colored; total, 120. Public Worship, Grace Church, 48 Sundays; 55 other days; whole number of times, 153. Contributions, Missions, Diocesan, \$212; Domestic, \$300; Foreign, \$534; other Church purposes, \$1425; total, \$2471.

REMARKS.—The unusual number of deaths reported, marks the fatal character of the past summer; one half the deaths were from yellow fever, and a large portion, "little children."

The Sunday School, under the special charge of the Assistant, is in a flourishing state, notwithstanding the interruption of the last summer.

By a joint effort of the Vestry and Congregation, our Church, I am most thankful to say, *is out of debt*. Fourteen hundred dollars have been cheerfully raised for this purpose by assessment on the pews. Thus, in exactly ten years from its completion, a Church costing \$35,000 has been erected, filled and paid for.

More than \$200 has been subscribed to aid the publications of the Evangelical K. Society, indicating a growing interest in that important agency for the circulation of religious truth.

*Holy Communion, Charleston.*

The Rev. A. Toomer Porter, Rector.

Baptisms—Adult, 1 white; Children, 15 white, 11 colored; total, 27. Marriages, 3 white, 6 colored; total 9. Burials, 6 white, 1 colored; total 7. Communicants, last reported, 68 white, 26 colored, total 94; Admitted, 6 white, 5 colored, total 11; Removed, 18 white, 4 colored, total 22; Died, 1 white; Present number, 108 white, 34 colored, total 142. Congregation, Non-Communicants, 60 white, 40 colored, total 100; Children under 14, 100 white; Families, 58 white. Children catechized every Sunday. Confirmed by the Bishop, 6 white, 5 col-



ored; total 11. Sunday School, Teachers, 21 white; Scholars, 150 white; Subjects of Instruction, Church Catechism, Collects, and Bible Lessons. Public Worship, Holy Communion, 50 times. Contributions, Communion Alms, \$435.50; Missions, Diocesan 185; Domestic, 97; other Church purposes, \$1,350; Ladies' Sewing Society, \$225; Indian boy in Rev. Mr. Breck's Mission, \$40; Church Debt, \$168; Interest on Church Debt, \$460; Mrs. Milne, on Church Debt, \$2,000; Mrs. Young, from four annual subscribers to Church Debt, \$80; Mrs. Reid, same, \$10; other sources, \$21; total \$5,071.50.

REMARKS.—I was absent from the State from the 9th of June until the 2d. of November, 1858, hence the small number of services rendered by me.

*Christ Church, Wilton.*

The Rev. Wm. O. Prentiss, Rector.

The Rev. J. B. Seabrook, Assistant Minister.

Baptisms—Adults, 1 colored; Children, 1 white, 2 colored; total, 4; Marriages, 1 colored. Communicants, Admitted, 4 white, 1 colored; Present number, 34 white, 8 colored; total 42. Children catechized on 12 days, 68 colored. Contributions, Communion Alms, \$25; Missions, Diocesan, \$150; Domestic, \$75; Foreign, \$100; total \$350.

REMARKS.—On the 22nd of November last I returned to the Diocese, and took charge of my old Parish. The services reported above have been performed since that date.

*Christ Church, Columbia.*

The Rev. J. M. Pringle, Rector.

Baptisms—Adult, 1 white; Children, 12 white, 2 colored; total 15. Marriages, 2 white, 1 colored; total 3. Burials, 8 white, 1 colored; total 9. Communicants, last reported, 32 white; Admitted, 16 white; Removed, 8 white; Withdrew, 3 white; Died, 1 white; Present number, 36 white, 8 colored; total 44. Families, 21. Sunday School, Teachers 9; Scholars, 37. Communion Alms, \$90.17; Foreign Missions, \$44.53; total, \$134.70.

The Sunday and other public services have suffered some interruption by my necessary absence on parochial affairs in July, 1858, and again for some weeks of January, February and March, 1859; and the large reduction in the amount of the Alms and Missionary Contributions, as compared with previous annual Reports, may be partly accounted for by this circumstance.

The Bible Class and week-day Lecture have been maintained.

REMARKS.—In reviewing the records of my ministry from which the above-mentioned particulars have been taken, I find a memorandum of the death of one who well deserves to be remembered for the great purity and genuineness of his Christian character.

Mr. William Clarkson died at his residence near Columbia, on Sunday evening, August 8th, 1858.

It will not, I trust, be regarded as an impropriety to introduce in this place some expressive memorial of a faithful soldier and servant of Christ, to whose example we are permitted to point with all confidence, as having added another name to the list of really good men and worthy members of the Church.

I beg leave, therefore, to insert here the following sincere tribute to his memory, extracted from a series of resolutions, which issued from his bereaved fellow-worshippers, by whom is still felt the loss of his companionship and influence in the house of God.

*“Resolved,* It is our pleasing part and duty to testify that in the life and character of Mr. William Clarkson the whole community to which he belonged, and in particular that portion of it included within the Episcopal Church, have enjoyed a rare example of practical Christianity, adorned with all the peculiar attractions of a naturally amiable and benevolent disposition, and that more especially in the discharge of the trying and difficult responsibilities which the possession of wealth imposes, he abounded in good works, both of a public and private kind, and has left behind him many proofs of his conscientious and self-denying performance of the obligations of Christian zeal and charity.

*“Resolved,* The congregation of Christ Church, Columbia, can never forget the fact of his important instrumentality in beginning and sustaining an effort to extend the Church in the Episcopal communion of this city, and his characteristic self-sacrifice in the exertions he made, and the liberality of his gifts towards this object.”

The corner-stone of Christ Church was laid on the 15th of January. I have to thank my Christian brethren and friends of the different parishes of Charleston, and them also of St. Andrew's Parish, for their material aid in the effort I am making to collect money enough to pay for the lot upon which the new church is in course of erection.

A gentleman of the “Church of the Holy Communion,” who made the first contribution to the object I have in view, must pardon this pointed reference to his generous liberality. To a lady of St. Paul's Church I desire to express in the most respectful manner my grateful sense of her prompt and truly Christian donation to my work. To many other friends and helpers in Charleston I owe a lasting remembrance for the help they have afforded me by their contributions.

*Zion Church, Richland.*

The Rev. Edward Reed, Rector.

Baptisms—Adults, white 1, colored, 1; Children, white, 1; total 3. Marriages, 2 colored. Burials, 1 colored. Communicants, Present number, 22 white. Congregation, Non-Communicants, 3 white; Children under 14, 24 white; Families, 12 white. Public Worship, Zion Church, 9 Sundays; Lower Church, 8 Sundays, 1 other day; whole number of times, 9; Plantations, 10 Sundays.

REMARKS.—From the first Sunday in June last, until the second Sunday in November, no services were held in the Parish; and from November until the meeting of the Convention, the Rector has offici-

ated every alternate Sunday for the congregation of St. John's, Richland.

*St. John's, Richland.*

The Rev. Edward Reed, Rector.

Baptisms—Adults, 1 white; Children, 4 white; total 5. Communicants, 5 white; Non-Communicants, 10 white; Children under 14, 16 white; Families, 8. Services held in a school-house 11 times. Burials, 1 white.

REMARKS.—This new congregation, organized only a year, has a church under contract, to be finished during the summer, and has united with Zion Church in the calling and support of a minister.

*Claremont Parish.*

The Rev. John J. Roberts. Rector.

Baptisms—Adults, 4 colored; Infants, 4 white, colored, 47; total, 55. Marriages, 2 white. Burials, 4 white. Communicants, Admitted (by first communion, 5) 7; Died, 1; present number, 50 white, colored about 150. Families, 33 white, colored unknown. Children Catechized on 2nd, 3d and 4th Sundays of the month, 41 white, colored unknown. Public Worship, at the "Church of the Holy Cross," Stateburg; St. John's Chapel; Major Richardson's Chapel; Mr. Bradley's Plantation; Mr. W. B. Murray's Plantation; "St. Matthew's Chapel," in charge of the Rev. T. N. Lucas.

Mr. Legrand F. Guerry, Catechist, holds service and Catechizes at "St. John's Chapel," Mr. Bradley's Plantation, and Major Richardson's Chapel. Contributions, Missions, Domestic, general, \$55; Foreign, \$33; Chippeway Indians, Rev. Mr. Breck's mission, \$109; Florida, through Rev. Mr. Thackara, \$151; Diocesan, through Rev. Mr. Johnson, \$69; Church of the Holy Comforter, Sumter, \$500; other Church purposes, about \$50; total, about \$967.

*Trinity Church, Black Oak.*

The Rev. Julius J. Sams, Rector.

Baptisms—Adults, 11 colored; Children, 1 white; total, 12. Burials, 4 white. Communicants, Admitted, 1 white; Removed, 1 white; Died, 1 white; Present number, 24 white. Congregation, Non-Communicants, 19 white; Children under 14, 17 white; Families, 19 white. Families belonging also to other congregations of the P. E. Church, 1. Sunday School, Teachers, 6 white; Scholars, 9 white, colored 50; total, 59. Subjects of Instruction, Church Catechism, Church Hymns, Catechism for persons of color. Public Worship, Black Oak, 18 Sundays, 6 other days; whole number of times, 24; Pinopolis, 5 Sundays, 1 other day; whole number of times, 11; Plantations, 25 times. Contributions, Communion Alms, \$36.45. Missions, Diocesan, \$37.67; Domestic, \$48; Foreign, \$89.50; other Church Purposes, \$17.35; total \$228.97.



*Report of Rev. J. B. Seabrook, Assistant to the Rector of the Wilton Church, and Missionary on Stono.*

I preached last year, to the blacks, in the Missionary Chapel near Bluffton, and on Pinckney and Bull's Island until the 20th of January, when I removed to my present residence in St. Paul's Parish; since that time I have been officiating as Missionary on Stono, and also as Assistant to the Rector of the Wilton Church. It gives me great pleasure to state, that with the aid of some of my neighbors, and certain pious friends not residing in the Parish, I am causing a very neat Chapel to be erected for the accommodation of the neighborhood, which has been most sadly in need of religious services for many years. This Chapel stands near the spot upon which stood the original Church of the Parish of St. Paul, the ruins of which are still visible.

*Report of the Rev. R. S. Seely, Lexington C. H., S. C., April 1859.*

In making my report, I am happy to say that I have been enabled, with God's blessing and assistance, to hold divine service, with a very few exceptions, twice on each Lord's day in Lexington C. H., where my congregations, although small, have been very attentive. I have administered the Lord's Supper on several occasions to six communicants; Baptised one white infant; joined one couple in the sacred bands of matrimony, and distributed several prayer-books and other religious works. There are several families in this District who profess a strong attachment to the Church. Will not our brethren assist us in building up the walls of Zion in this District?

*Trinity Church, Columbia*

The Rev. Peter J. Shand, Rector.

Baptisms—Children, 18 white, 4 colored; total 22. Marriages, 3 white, 2 colored; total 5. Burials 13 white. Communicants, last reported, 126 white, 7 colored; total 133; Admitted, 13 white, 2 colored; total 15; Withdrew, 5 white; Died, 1 white; Present number, 133 white, 9 colored; total 142. Congregation, Non-Communicants, 104 white, colored fluctuating and uncertain; Children under 14, 151 white, colored not known; Families, 82 white, colored unknown. Children catechized monthly, from 30 to 50 white. Sunday School, Teachers, 11 white; Scholars, 76 white. Subjects of Instruction, Beaven's Catechism and on the Articles; Questions on the Gospels and Acts, Questions on the Collects, Claxton's Questions, Trapier's and Glennie's, and Calvary Catechism, Easy questions, and Watts's Hymns. Public Worship, every Sunday in the year; every Friday, and every Fast and Festival day.

REMARKS.—The amount contributed for Missions was \$709.14 which has been appropriated in various proportions to Diocesan, Domestic, and Foreign objects, including amounts given to Rev. Mr. Breck's mission at Minnesota, to Florida, and to Missions and Churches within our own Diocese. The Parochial School is in successful operation, but the collection and disbursement of the funds are attended to by the ladies and are not under my regulation or control.



I take pleasure in renewing, in this form, my thankful acknowledgments of services rendered by Rev. C. Bruce Walker, both in the Church and Sunday School, all of which have been valuable and acceptable to my congregation and myself.

*St. Luke's Church, Bluffton.*

The Rev. James Stoney, Rector.

Baptisms—Adults, 1 white, 2 colored; Children, 3 white; total, 6. Marriages, 3 white, 1 colored. Burials, 1 white. Communicants, 42 white. Admitted, 1 white 4 colored; total, 5. Non-Communicants, 40 white. Families, 30 white. Sunday School, Teachers, 11 white; Scholars, 50 white; colored irregular. Communion Alms, \$45.68. Missions, \$139.83.

*St. Mark's, Clarendon.*

The Rev. J. W. Taylor, M. D., Missionary.

Since my last report to the Convention, I have held Divine service and preached at St. James's, Goose Creek, three times; at the Church of the Redeemer, at Orangeburg, 39 times; at St. Mark's Clarendon, (where I have been officiating since the first part of December) I have held Divine service and preached twenty-six times; six of these times to the blacks, for whom I have service on Sunday afternoons. I have preached three times at other places, on invitation.

At Orangeburg I read the Burial service for a colored infant, and for an adult female (white) and a member of the Church, which I presume Brother Wagner will report to you, as I was acting as his assistant.

At St. Mark's, the Bishop confirmed, in February, eight white and four colored, and I baptized an infant, (white,) and a colored adult.

*Report of the Rev. Paul Trapier.*

From the date of my last report, I was in Virginia, officiating, from time to time, for the Rector of the Church in Lynchburg, and teaching, every week, a female Bible class of members of his congregation, till November last, when, having been appointed to a Professorship in our Diocesan Seminary, I removed to Camden, where I have since been assisting in the Church occasionally, teaching in the Seminary since January last, and officiating as Assistant Minister of the Church of the Holy Comforter, Sumterville, from the second Monday of March.

*St. John's, John's Island.*

The Rev. R. S. Trapier, Rector.

The Rev. P. G. Jenkins, Missionary to Negroes.

Baptisms—Adults, 26 colored; Children, 6 white, 45 colored; total, 77. Burials, 2 white. Communicants, last reported, 61 white, colored uncertain; total, 61; Admitted, 6 white, 44 colored; total, 50; Re-

moved, 3 white, 7 colored ; total, 10 ; Died, 1 white, 3 colored ; total, 4 ; Suspended, 2 colored ; present number, 63 white, about 200 colored ; total, 263. Congregation, Non-Communicants, 43 white ; Children under 14, 90 white ; Families, 46 white. Children Catechized frequently in the summer. Confirmed by the Bishop, 1 white, 54 colored ; total, 55. Sunday School, Teachers, 2 white ; Scholars, 15 white. Subjects of Instruction, Bible and Catechism. Public Worship St. John's Parish Church, 25 Sundays, 3 other days ; whole number of times, 28 ; Chapels' Church, at Rockville, 11 Sundays, 12 other days ; whole number of times, 23 ; at Legareville, 11 Sundays, 1 other day ; whole number of times, 12 ; total, 63. Contributions, Communion Alms, \$78.05. Missions, Diocesan, \$180 ; Domestic, \$20 ; other Church purposes, \$1220 ; total, \$1498.05.

*Holy Apostles, Barnwell.*

The Rev. A. Wagner, Rector.

Baptisms—Adults, 2 white : Children, 5 white, 9 colored ; total, 16. Burials, 2 white, 1 colored ; total, 3. Communicants, present number, 14 white. Congregation, Non-Communicants, 8 white ; Children under 14, 23 white, 19 colored ; total, 42.

*The Redeemer, Orangeburg.*

The Rev. E. A. Wagner, Rector.

Baptisms—Children, 8 colored. Marriages, 1 white. Burials, 1 white, 1 colored ; total, 2. Communicants, present number, 22 white. Congregation, Non-Communicants, 14 ; Children under 14, 13 white, 23 colored ; total, 36 ; Families, 10 white. Confirmed by the Bishop, 5 white.

REMARKS.—Divine service on the 1st and 3d Sundays of each month. A Deacon to assist in this field is desirable.

*Grace Church, Sullivan's Island.*

The Rev. E. T. Walker, Rector.

Baptisms—Children, 5 white, 1 colored ; total, 6. Burials, 12 white, 2 colored ; total, 14. Missions and other objects, \$129. Public Worship, 23 Sundays ; 16 other days ; whole number of times, 85.

REMARKS.—The children of the congregation, during a large portion of the summer, were taught after the afternoon service. At night I preached to the negroes.

The summer was one of sickness and distress ; but as a congregation, we had great reason to be thankful for a covenant God's preservation of us. The foreign population of the Island suffered very much from yellow fever.

From the month of November I have officiated in St. Stephen's Chapel, Port Royal Island. The number of negroes who attend the services of the Chapel is from 80 to 200.

There are five families who worship at the Chapel, though the services are especially for the negroes. Service has been held in the

Chapel seven months of the past year; also, upon two plantations, and the negro children taught every alternate Sunday.

*Parish of St. Helena, Beaufort.*

The Rev. Jos. R. Walker, D. D., Rector.

Baptisms—Adults, 6 colored; Children, 4 white, colored, 7; total, 17. Marriages, 3 white; 8 colored; total, 11. Burials, 8 white, 6 colored. Communicants, last reported, white, 143; Admitted, 1; Removed, 8; Died, 4; present number, 132. Present number of colored communicants in Parish Church and Mission, 221.

Non-Communicants, 116; Children under 14, 138; Families, 72. Families that worship part of the year in other Parishes, 12. Children catechized in Parish Church, about 50 white. Sunday School, Teachers, 7 white, 9 colored; Scholars, 65 white, 80 colored. Public Worship, in the Parish Church, 47 Sundays, 33 other days; Grace Chapel (in the town) on Sunday night during the summer, for the negroes. In St. Stephen's Mission Chapel, for the negroes, and on adjoining plantations, though without at present a regularly employed Missionary pastor, there have been frequent ministerial and lay services. Communion Alms, \$223.53. Missions, Foreign \$589.96; Domestic, \$259.40; Missions in the Diocese, about \$250; Ministerial Education, and other Church purposes, as far as known, \$320.

*Mission of St. Stephen's Chapel, Charleston.*

The Rev. C. Wallace, Minister.

The Rev. H. L. Phillips, Assistant Minister.

Baptisms—Adults, 1 colored; Children, 10 white, 10 colored; total, 21. Marriages, 6 white, 6 colored; total, 12. Burials, 26 white, 3 colored; total, 29. Communicants, last reported, 103 white, 7 colored; total 110; Admitted, 24 white; Removed, 12 white, 2 colored; total, 14; Withdrew, 4 white; Died, 4 white; Suspended, 2 white; present number, 87 white, 5 colored, total 92. Congregation, Non-Communicants, 120 white; 20 colored; total, 140; Children under 14, 105 white, 10 colored; total, 115; Families, 84 white, 3 colored; total, 87. Children catechized on all Sundays. Confirmed by the Bishop, 2 white, at Church of Holy Communion. Sunday School, Teachers, 10 white; Scholars, 70 white, 15 colored; total, 85. Subjects of Instruction, Bible, Church Catechism, Beaven's Catechism, Hymns, &c. Public Worship; St. Stephen's, 48 Sundays, 51 other days; whole number of times, 147; Church Home, whole number of times 200; total, 347. Contributions, Communion Alms, \$115.20; For expenses of Chapel, \$200; total raised in the Chapel, \$315.20; received from Churches and individuals for the poor and sick, \$582.42; total, \$897.62. Pieces of clothing received and distributed; Bibles distributed, about 50; Testaments, about 50; Prayer-Books, about 100; several hundred Tracts.

REMARKS.—The exposure, fatigue and exhaustion consequent upon the epidemic of last summer, left the health of the Senior Minister in

so reduced a state that that he was obliged to suspend the week-day service, to drop most of his parochial visits, and to make several short visits to the country with the hope of recruiting his strength. In this he did not succeed till the 1st of January. He is now, thank God, in a better state of health than for some years past.

Since the 1st of February he has been aided by the Rev. Henry L. Phillips, who will probably remain with him some months longer.

The Church Home forms a part of this congregation, and is now, in all respects, in a very satisfactory state, except that more room is wanted to receive applicants who are continually importuning admission, but for whom there is now no space. The musical voices of the children, trained by the gratuitous services of a benevolent lady, form the pleasantest feature in the services of the Chapel.

*Mission to Negroes in St. Luke's, Grahamville.*

The Rev. J. V. Welch, Missionary.

Baptisms—Adults, 12 colored. Marriages, 2 colored. Burials, 4 colored. Public Worship, 48 Sundays, 199 other days, whole number of times, 257. Contributions, Foreign Missions, \$10.49.

*Holy Trinity, Grahamville.*

The Rev. Arthur Wigfall, Rector.

The Rev. Jacob V. Welch, Deacon, Missionary to Slaves.

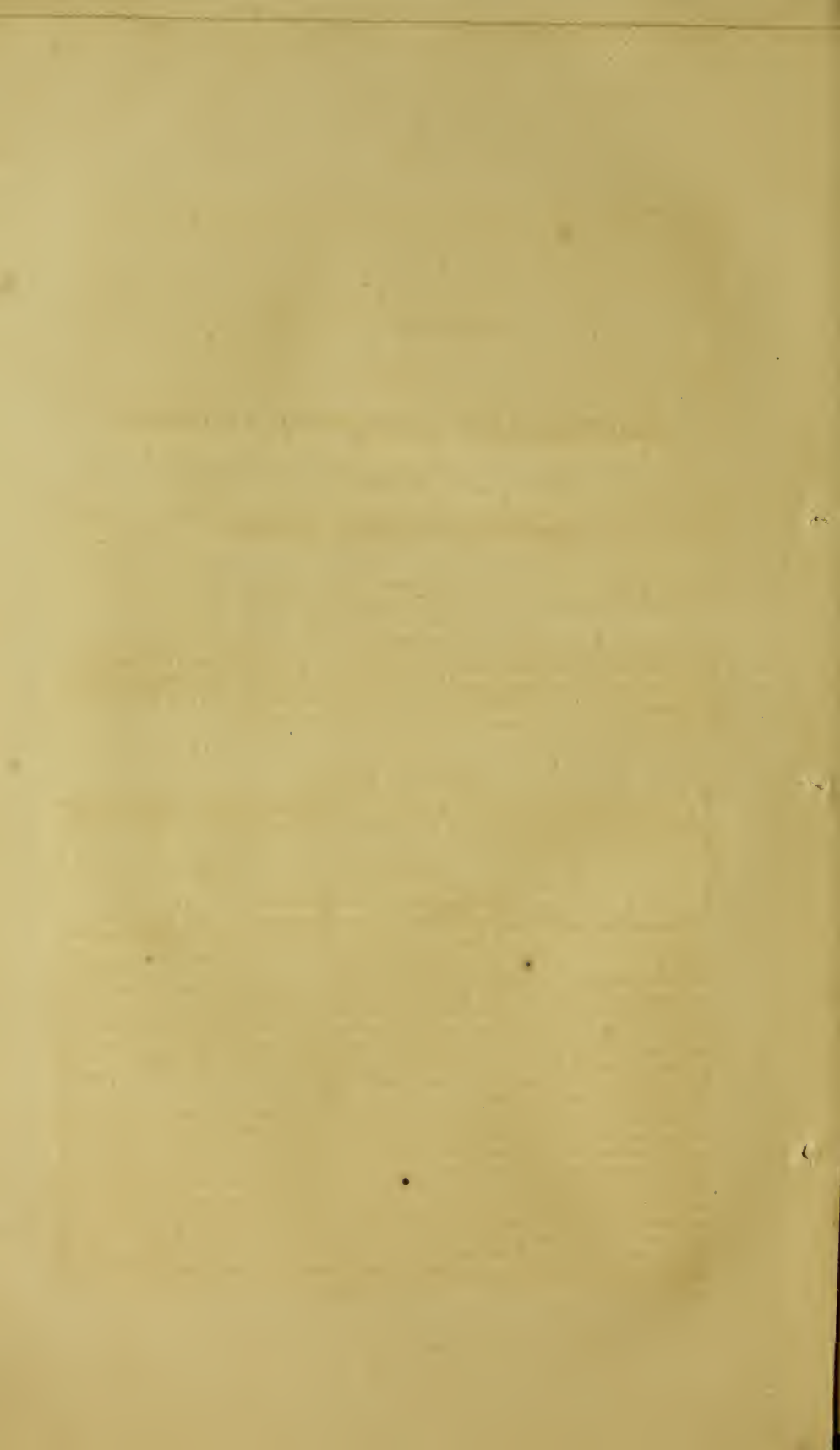
Baptisms—Children, 2 white. Marriages, 2 white. Burials, 1 white. Communicants, present number, 35 white, 12 colored; total, 47. Congregation, Children under 14, 41 white; Families, 20 white. Children Catechized, on 2nd Sunday of each month. Sunday School, Teachers, 4 white; Scholars, 15 white, 10 colored; total, 25. Contributions, Missions, Diocesan, \$48; Foreign, \$265; total, \$313.



## ABSTRACT OF PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

For the period from June 9th, 1858, to May 11th, 1859.

	<i>White.</i>	<i>Colored.</i>	<i>Total.</i>
Baptisms—Adults, .....	48	243	291
“ Children,.....	395	600	995
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Grand Total,.....	443	843	1286
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Marriages, .....	93	113	206
Burials,.....	353	122	475
Congregation—Communicants,.....	2853	2819	5672
“ Non-Communicants,...	2308	313	2621
“ Children under 14,....	2749	563	3312
“ Families, .....	1929	88	2017
Families belonging to other Congrega- tions of the P. E. Church,.....	80	<hr/>	80
Children catechized,.....	583	1381	1964
Confirmed by the Bishop,.....	149	296	445
Sunday Schools—Number of Teachers,	274	<hr/>	274
“ “ “ Scholars,	1310	935	2245
Total amount collected, sundry Church purposes, as reported,.....			\$42,094.94



CONSTITUTION  
OF THE  
PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH,  
IN THE  
DIOCESE OF SOUTH-CAROLINA.

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ARTICLE I.

*Of acceding to the Constitution and Canons of the General Convention.*

The Protestant Episcopal Church in South-Carolina accedes to, recognizes and adopts the general Constitution and Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and acknowledges their authority accordingly.

ARTICLE II.

*Of Stated Meetings.*

A stated Convention shall be held annually in Charleston, on the second Wednesday in February, or at such time, and in such place, as shall have been determined upon by the preceding Convention.

ARTICLE III.

*Of Members of Convention.*

SECTION 1.—The Convention shall be composed of Clergymen and Laymen.

SECTION 2.—The Bishop, the Assistant Bishop, when there is one, and the Minister, or Ministers of every Episcopal Church in union with this Convention, shall always be, *ex-officio*, a member or members of this Convention, with a right to vote on all matters requiring the suffrages thereof: *Provided*, that no Clergyman shall be entitled to vote in Convention, unless he has been actually, as well as canonically resident within the Diocese, for the space of twelve calendar months next before the meeting of the Convention, and has, for the same period, been employed in performing the duties of his station: *Provided*, also, that no Clergyman, otherwise entitled to a seat and vote in Convention, shall, by reason of advanced years, or infirm health, or temporary absence, be divested of such privilege.

SECTION 3.—Every other Clergyman of the Church being a Missionary, officiating under the sanction of the Ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese, or a Chaplain in any benevolent or other public institution, shall be entitled to all the privileges of a member of this Convention, with the exception of the right to vote on matters involving the temporal concerns of the Churches. The provisions of the second section of this Article shall also apply to the preceding part of this section. Every other Clergyman, being an instructor of youth in any seminary of learning, constituted by Civil or Ecclesiastical authority, in this Diocese, or a Chaplain in the Army or Navy of the United States, or being prevented by age and infirmity from exercising his clerical functions, shall be entitled to all the privileges of a member of this Convention, with the exception of the right to vote.

SECTION 4.—Lay-Delegates not exceeding four (4) in number, shall be elected by the respective Episcopal Churches, in union with this Convention, from among the members of those Churches respectively to represent them in Convention; the Delegates to be elected in such manner and time, as each Church shall deem proper, to serve for one stated Convention. They shall, before they are permitted to take their seats in Convention, produce written testimonials of their election. For special Conventions, special elections shall be held.

SECTION 5.—No member shall hereafter represent two distinct Churches, or shall, in any case, have more than one vote.

SECTION 6.—A Lay-Member having taken his seat in the Convention as a Delegate from any Church, shall not (without the unanimous consent of the Convention,) be permitted to relinquish his seat, and take a seat as the Delegate of another Church.

#### ARTICLE IV.

##### *Of a Quorum.*

Ten (10) Members of the Clerical Order, and Lay-Representatives of ten (10) Churches, shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business generally; but any number of either Order, that shall assemble, may adjourn from day to day, until a quorum is formed.

#### ARTICLE V.

##### *Of the President.*

The Bishop of the Diocese shall be, *ex-officio*, President of the Convention. But in case of his absence, or a vacancy in the Episcopate, the President of the Standing Committee shall be the President of the Convention, and if he be not present, a presiding officer shall be elected from among the attending Presbyters

#### ARTICLE VI.

##### *Of the Secretary.*

A Secretary, who shall also be, *ex officio*, Treasurer, shall be annually chosen, (and continue in office until a successor be appointed,) who shall keep a true and correct Journal of the proceedings of the Convention, attest its public acts, preserve its records, and give notice to each Minister and Vestry of the time and place appointed for any stated or special meetings of the Convention; and this notice shall be given at least six weeks before the meeting of such Convention. He shall also keep regular accounts of all money transactions, to be annually laid before the Convention, and shall faithfully deliver into the hands of his successor, all books and papers, relative and belonging to the Convention, which may be in his charge.

#### ARTICLE VII.

##### *Of the Standing Committee.*

SECTION 1.—A Standing Committee, consisting of five Presbyters of the Diocese, and five Laymen, taken indiscriminately from among the actual communicants of the Church in the Diocese, shall be elected by ballot at every regular meeting of the Convention, for the purposes expressed in the Constitutions and Canons of the General and Diocesan Conventions, who shall continue in office until another Committee be appointed.

SECTION 2.—At their first meeting after their appointment, they shall choose one of the Presbyters of their body to be their President, and another of their body to be their Secretary, whose duty it shall be to keep regular minutes of all the proceedings and business of the Committee, to preserve them carefully recorded in a book provided for that purpose alone; to preserve the originals of all letters and papers addressed to the Standing Committee, to attest their public acts, to perform such other duties as they may require, and faithfully to deliver into the hands of his successor, all books and papers relative to the concerns of the Standing Committee, which may have been entrusted to him.

SECTION 3.—They shall present to each annual Convention, an abstract of the minutes of their proceedings since the former Convention.



SECTION 4.—Vacancies in this Committee, caused by death, resignation, or otherwise, shall be supplied by the suffrages of the remaining members, a majority of the whole Committee being necessary to constitute a choice.

#### ARTICLE VIII.

##### *Of Special Meetings.*

SECTION 1.—The Bishop, or in case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, the Standing Committee shall have power to call a special meeting of the Convention; and such meeting shall be held where the authority calling it shall determine; and at such special meeting no other business shall be transacted, than that stated in the notice calling the Convention.

SECTION 2.—No special meeting of the Convention shall be called for the election of a Bishop or Assistant Bishop.

#### ARTICLE IX.

##### *Of Voting in Convention.*

On all questions, unless otherwise provided by the Constitution, the members shall deliberate and vote as one body; but any two Clergymen, or the Delegation from any two Churches, may call for a separate vote of each Order, when the Clergy shall vote individually, and the Lay-Delegates by Churches, (a majority of each Delegation having one vote,) and a majority in both Orders shall, in each case, be necessary to a decision.

#### ARTICLE X.

##### *Of the Election of a Bishop or Assistant Bishop.*

In the election of a Bishop, or Assistant Bishop of this Diocese, a majority of each Order shall determine a choice: *Provided*, That two-thirds (2-3ds) of all the Clergy entitled to a vote, and two-thirds (2-3ds) of the Churches entitled to representation, be present; otherwise, two-thirds (2-3ds) of the votes of each Order present shall be necessary to determine a choice.

#### ARTICLE XI.

##### *Of the Trial of a Clergyman.*

A Clergyman shall be subject to a trial for offences enumerated in the Canon of the General Convention "*of offences for which Ministers shall be tried and punished*," and in the Canons of this Convention. The trial shall be conducted according to the mode provided for by the Canons of this Convention.

#### ARTICLE XII.

##### *Of the Admission of Churches or Parishes into the Convention.*

Whenever a Church or Parish, not now entitled to a representation, shall be desirous of uniting with the Convention of the Church in this Diocese, they shall apply by letter to the Bishop, or when there is no Bishop, or he be absent, to the Standing Committee, stating the due organization of their Church, the election of their Vestrymen and Church Wardens, their means or prospects for the support of a Minister, and their willingness to conform to the Constitution and Canons of the General Convention, and the Constitution and Canons of the Convention of this Diocese, which are now or hereafter may be enacted by the authority of the same. And at the Convention next succeeding the receipt of such application, the Bishop or Standing Committee shall communicate the same to the Convention for their decision thereon. Should the Convention make a favorable decision, the said Church shall then be considered in union with the Convention of the Church in this Diocese: *Provided always*, That the Delegates of the Church or Parish, newly admitted, though entitled to a seat, shall not be allowed a vote at the meeting of the Convention in which their Church or Parish is admitted. But no Lay vote shall be received from any Church or Parish, which has for three (3) successive years neglected to elect a Vestry and Wardens, or to pay its quota to the Convention, until admitted by a vote of the Convention.

## ▲ARTICLE XIII.

*Of Deputies to the General Convention.*

SECTION 1.—At every annual Convention, four Presbyters and four Laymen shall be chosen by ballot, to represent this Diocese in General Convention.

SECTION 2.—In case any Deputy, appointed as above, shall decline such appointment, or be unable to attend, it shall be his duty to inform the Bishop, or in case of his absence, or of a vacancy in the Episcopate, the President of the Standing Committee; and the Bishop, or in case of his absence, or of a vacancy in the Episcopate, the Standing Committee may appoint a substitute for any deputy so declining, or unable to attend: *Provided*, That such substitute be a member of the Protestant Episcopal Church in South-Carolina.

## ARTICLE XIV.

*Of Altering the Constitution.*

No one of these Articles shall be altered or repealed, nor shall any Article be adopted, unless such alteration, repeal, or new Article be proposed, considered and concurred in by a majority at one Convention, and concurred in by two-thirds (2-3ds) of the Churches present at a subsequent Convention.

# CANONS.

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## CANON I.

### *Providing for an accurate view of the State of the Church.*

Every Minister having a Parochial charge in this Diocese, or, if the Parish be vacant, then the Wardens thereof, shall, at the meeting of every Annual Convention, deliver or transmit to the Bishop, or, when there is no Bishop, to the President of the Convention, an accurate statement in writing of the number of Baptisms, Confirmations, Marriages and Burials, in his Parish or Church, during the interval since the last Convention, the names of places where, and how often in each, Divine Service has been held; the number of families, specifying how many of them belong likewise to other Congregations; the number of Communicants, stating the changes by admission, removal, death, and suspension; the number of adults, and of children under fourteen years of age; the number catechized, and on how many Sundays; whether there be any Sunday School, and if any, the number of children, and of teachers, and the subjects of instruction in the same; also, the amount of Communion alms, the contributions for missions, diocesan, domestic and foreign; for Parochial schools, and for Church purposes of whatever kind; and, generally, all such other matters as may throw light on the state of the Church under his care.

In each case, the white and colored persons shall be reported distinctively; and all reports shall be in the form of a schedule, prepared by the Secretary, in accordance with the provisions of this Canon, and shall be laid before the Convention, and entered upon the Journal, conformably to Canon XII of the General Convention of 1853.—*Passed 1854. Amended 1857.*

## CANON II.

### *Trial of a Minister.*

SECTION 1. In order to bring a Minister to trial before an Ecclesiastical Court, a charge shall be made in the first place to the Standing Committee in writing, under the proper signature of at least two persons, one of whom shall be a Presbyter of this Diocese, setting forth the facts alleged, and the names of the witnesses who will prove the same; with copies of, or proper reference to any other evidence required. If the Standing Committee shall be of opinion that the facts charged will constitute any one or more of the offences enumerated in the Constitution and Canons of this Diocese, or of the General Convention, and that it would be for the good of the Church, that further proceedings should be had, they shall ascertain whether there is proof sufficient to put the accused upon his trial; and if satisfied, they shall thereupon cause a presentment to be made to the Bishop, charging the accused with the offence or offences which they deemed to be contained in the evidence, and specifying the facts with such reasonable certainty as to time, place, and circumstances, as shall be sufficient for a judicial investigation.

SEC. 2. The presentment having been made, the Bishop shall forthwith cause to be placed in a box the names of all the Presbyters of this Diocese, who, for the time being, are actually engaged in duty therein, (excepting the accused, the presenting Presbyters, and those on the Standing Committee;) he shall then cause twelve of the said names to be drawn out by a child under ten years of age; and the said twelve names shall be inscribed on a list. The Bishop shall immediately cause a copy of the said list and of the presentment to be served on the accused, or to be left at his usual place of residence. Within thirty days thereafter, the accused shall strike off the names of

three of the Presbyters on the said list, and give notice thereof to the Bishop; and the Bishop shall thereupon send a list of the remaining Presbyters to the President of the Standing Committee, who shall, within fifteen days thereafter, strike off the names of three more, and give notice thereof to the Bishop. If either party shall fail to notify the Bishop as aforesaid, it shall be the duty of the Bishop to strike off so many names as the party failing was required to strike off; and in each case, the six remaining Presbyters shall constitute a Council for the trial of the accused.

SEC. 3. The Council shall hold its session at such time and place, and in public or in private, as the Bishop may appoint. It shall have power to adjourn from time to time, and from place to place, within the Diocese. If it fail to meet on the day appointed, it shall stand adjourned to the next day, and from day to day, for the space of three days, if it be not sooner formed; and if the whole number do not attend, and it appears probable that a full attendance cannot be had, those of the Council who may be present, being not less than four, shall organize and appoint a President and Secretary; the first from their own body, and the latter from their own body, or otherwise; and before proceeding to trial, shall ordain and declare the rules by which the trial shall be conducted. It shall cause the oral testimony for and against the accused to be written down by the Secretary, and, along with the depositions and other evidence read upon the trial, to be carefully preserved; and shall cause a journal to be kept of its proceedings. Some officer authorized by law to administer oaths, may be called upon by the Council to administer an oath, or affirmation, to the witnesses, and upon all questions, the Common Law shall furnish the rule, and the concurrence of a majority of the members present shall be sufficient for a decision.

SEC. 4. The Council, after it shall be organized, may appoint one or more of the Profession of the Law to be its Assessors; who may be present at all its proceedings. It shall be their duty to give to the Council an opinion upon any question which may arise, upon which the Council or any member thereof, or the prosecuting or accused party shall desire an opinion, but without any voice in the decision of any question.

SEC. 5. A written notice of the time and place of meeting of the Council, shall be served upon the accused, or left at his usual place of abode, at least thirty days before such meeting; and the like notice shall be given to the Standing Committee, who, by their President, or some one whom they may appoint to perform that office, shall collect and present the evidence, and otherwise appear in behalf of the prosecution. The accused also shall be allowed the privilege of Counsel under such regulations as the Council may see fit to prescribe.

SEC. 6. If the accused do not appear, the Council may proceed to trial in his absence, or, for good cause shown, may adjourn the trial to another day; and if he then fail to appear, the Council shall report him to the Bishop for contumacy, who, thereupon shall pass upon him sentence of suspension from the Ministry; but such sentence may be revised by the Bishop, if the accused, within three calendar months, shall report to him that he is prepared to undergo his trial, and shall appear for that end before the Council; and if he does not so report and appear, the Bishop in view of the Charges in the presentment, may pass against him sentence of degradation from the Ministry.

SEC. 7. Upon the application of the President of the Standing Committee or the accused, to the Bishop setting forth that the attendance of a material witness cannot be had, he shall appoint a Commissioner to take the deposition of such witness; and the party applying shall give to the other party five days notice of the time and place of taking the deposition, and of the principal points upon which the witness is to be examined. If the party to whom such notice is to be given, reside more than forty miles from the place appointed for taking the deposition, an additional day, exclusive of Sunday, shall be allowed for every twenty miles. The deposition shall be signed by the witness, and certified by the Commissioner under seal, to the Council.

SEC. 8. When the trial shall be gone through, the Council shall declare, in a writing, to be signed by the several members, or a majority of them, their decision on the charges contained in the presentment, distinctly stating whether they find the accused guilty, or not guilty—and if guilty, suggesting what sentence in their opinion, ought to be pronounced. They shall forward the decision, together with the evidence and the proceedings, to the Bishop; whereupon, if the accused be found guilty, the Bishop shall pronounce such sentence, as shall to him appear proper, not exceeding that suggested by the Council, and such sentence shall be final. But if, in such case, in the opinion of



the Bishop, the accused ought to have a new trial, he shall have power to award it; in which case, a new Council shall be constituted, as herein before provided, (excluding the members of the former Council,) before which the proceedings shall be conducted, as before provided.

SEC. 9. If the accused shall confess the truth of the charges, the Bishop, (such confession being made to him, or being certified to him by the Council,) shall proceed to pass sentence; and if, when put upon his trial before the Council, the accused shall neither admit or deny the charges, he shall be regarded as pleading not guilty.

SEC. 10. It shall be the duty of the Bishop to report to the Convention, at its next session, after the trial of a Minister, as herein provided, the finding of the Council and his sentence thereupon.

SEC. 11. Nothing herein contained shall be regarded as interfering with the duty of the Bishop, or of the Clerical Members of the Standing Committee, to institute an inquiry according to the provisions of Canon 37 of 1832, of the General Convention. And whenever upon such inquiry, the Bishop, or if there be no Bishop, the Clerical Members of the Standing Committee shall be of opinion that there is just ground for the public rumors, mentioned in the said Canon, he or they shall inform the Standing Committee of the facts, and of the evidence to establish the same, and thereupon such further proceedings shall be had, as are herein directed, after a charge shall have been made to the Standing Committee.

SEC. 12. Canon third, entitled, "Trial of a Clergyman," is hereby repealed, and this Canon substituted therefor. *Passed 1855.*

SEC. 13. The expenses incident to the trial of any Minister, as herein provided, shall be certified by the President of the Standing Committee, and paid by the Treasurer of the Convention. And in case the Treasurer shall not have a sufficient amount in his hands for the purpose, the same shall be raised by assessments on the several Parishes in the Diocese, in the same ratio in which they are required to contribute to the expenses of the Convention by the Fifth Standing Resolution. *Passed 1856.*

### CANON III.

#### *A list to be made of the Clergymen in this Diocese.*

SECTION 1.—Within one week before the meeting of every Convention of this Diocese, the Bishop, or if there be no Bishop, the Standing Committee shall prepare, or cause to be prepared, a list of all the Ministers of the Protestant Episcopal Church, canonically resident in this Diocese, annexing the names of their respective cures or parishes, or of their stations as missionaries or chaplains, or of the colleges, academies, or other seminaries of learning, constituted by civil or ecclesiastical authority, in which they are engaged, or in regard to those who are not engaged in parishes, missions or institutions of learning as above, their places of residence only. And such list shall be laid before the Convention immediately after it shall have been called to order on the first day of meeting, and the names of the clerical members called therefrom. Such list shall then be referred to a Committee of three Clergymen, appointed by the Chair, who shall forthwith consider and report who of the Clergymen, on said list, are entitled to all the privileges of members of the Convention; who are entitled to said privileges, with the exception of the right to vote on matters pertaining to the temporal affairs of the Churches; who are entitled to seats, but not to votes, and who are not entitled to either seats or votes. Such list, thus reported and approved of by the Convention, shall be appended to the Journal, and shall be transmitted to the Secretary of every General Convention.

SECTION 2.—No Clergyman, while suspended from the Ministry, shall have a place on said list.

SECTION 3.—The right of any Clergyman of this Diocese to a seat in the Convention shall, if disputed, be determined, according to the provisions of the Constitution by the Convention itself, whether his name be inserted in the list aforesaid, or omitted.

SECTION 4.—The Bishop shall take such measures for notifying the admission of Ministers into this Diocese, as may prevent unwary and ignorant people from being imposed upon by persons pretending to be authorized Ministers of this Church. And his certificate shall be evidence of such admission.

## CANON IV.

*Of persons wishing to be received as Candidates for Orders.*

Any person, who desires to become a Candidate for Orders in this Diocese, shall make application in writing, to the Standing Committee, stating his age and previous occupation. He will also be expected to furnish the Committee with the testimonials required by the third (3d) Canon of the General Convention of 1856, and give them evidence that he has informed the Bishop of his intention, according to the requisitions of the same Canon.

# RULES OF ORDER.

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I. The opening of the Convention shall always be preceded by the Morning Service of the Church, a Sermon, and the administration of the Lord's Supper by the Bishop, or if the Episcopate be vacant, or the Bishop be not present, by the President of the Standing Committee. The business of every succeeding day shall be introduced with the Morning Service, and the business of every day shall be closed with appropriate Collects, pronounced by the President.

II. At the opening of each Annual Convention, when the President shall have taken the Chair, the Secretary shall first call over, in alphabetical order, the names of the Clergy entitled to seats. He shall then call over the Churches entitled to representation, when the Delegates shall lay their certificates on the Secretary's table. These shall be referred to a Committee of Three, who shall forthwith examine them, and report to the Convention. A constitutional quorum having been found present, the President shall declare the Convention duly organized. Should the Committee have considered any testimonials unsatisfactory, these shall now be taken up, and the question of their sufficiency settled.

III. The further order of business for the first day of the session of the Convention, shall be as follows :

1. The reading of the "Rules of Order."

2. The election of a Secretary, who shall have power to appoint an Assistant Secretary.

3. The consideration of the application of Churches, or Parishes, for admission into the Convention.

4. The appointment, by the President, of Preachers for the first day of the next annual Convention.

5. The appointment, by the President, of two Standing Committees, viz : the Committee on unfinished Business, one (1) Clergyman and two (2) Laymen ; the Committee on Finance, three (3) Laymen.

6. The annual communication of the Standing Committee of the Church.

7. The appointment of Special Committees.

8. Miscellaneous business.

IV. The daily order of proceedings, after the first day, shall be, on the President's taking the Chair :

1. The reading and approval of the Minutes.

2. Calling the names of the members absent on the preceding day.

3. The appointment of the Standing Committee of the Church.
4. The choosing of Deputies to the General Convention.
5. Calling upon each delegation to pay the assessment on their respective Churches or Parishes, for the Bishop's Common Fund, and for the expenses of the Convention.

6. Reports to be called for in the following order :

Committee on Finance.

Treasurer of Bishop's Permanent, Common and Convention Funds.

Committee on Unfinished Business.

Conventional School Committee.

Trustees for aged and Infirm Clergymen.

Committees appointed at preceding Convention.

Special Committees.

7. Miscellaneous Business.

V. Before the rising of the Convention, the Minutes of the last day's proceedings shall be read and approved.

VI. The Bishop's Address shall be at any time in order.

VII. When the President shall take the Chair, no member shall continue standing, or shall afterwards stand up, unless to address the Chair.

VIII. The delegation of each Church shall occupy one pew.

IX. No member shall absent himself from the Convention, unless he hath leave, or be unable to attend.

X. When any member is about to speak in debate, or deliver any matter to the Convention, he shall rise from his seat, and, without advancing, shall, with due respect, address himself to the President, confining himself to the point in debate, and avoiding personality.

XI. When two or more members rise at the same time, the President shall name the member who is first to speak.

XII. No member shall speak more than twice on the same question, without leave of the Convention.

XIII. A question being once determined, shall stand as the judgment of the Convention, and shall not again be drawn into debate during the same session, except upon a motion to reconsider, which may be moved and seconded by any member who voted in the majority.

XIV. When the President is putting the question, no one shall hold private discourse, stand up, walk into, out of, or across the Church.

XV. No motion shall be considered before the Convention, unless seconded and reduced to writing, if the President or any member require it. A Minister or Delegate may not second a motion offered by a Minister or Delegate of the same Church with himself.

XVI. When a question is before the House, no motion shall be received but to adjourn, to lay on the table, to postpone indefinitely, to postpone to a day certain, to commit or amend; which several motions shall have precedence in the order in which they are named. A motion to strike out the word "Resolved," shall have precedence to a



motion to amend; and, if carried, shall be equivalent to a rejection of the resolution. Subject to these exceptions, the question first moved shall be first put.

XVII. Motions to adjourn, to lay on the table, and to postpone indefinitely, shall be decided without debate. A motion to adjourn may interrupt a speech, or any other business of the Convention.

XVIII. No leave of absence shall be indefinitely granted to any member, unless full and sufficient reason be given by him to the Convention.

XIX. All Special Committees shall be appointed by the President, unless otherwise ordered by the Convention.

XX. No member shall vote on any question, in the event of which he is immediately and personally interested, or in any case where he was not present when the question was put.

XXI. If any member, in speaking or otherwise, transgress the rules of the Convention, the President *shall*, or any member *may* call to order; in which case, the member so called to order shall immediately sit down, unless permitted to explain. All questions of order shall be determined in the first instance, without debate, by the President; but any member may appeal from such decision to the Convention, and on such appeal, no member shall speak more than once, without leave of the Convention.

XXII. The President shall have the right to name a member to perform the duties of the Chair; but such substitution shall not extend beyond an adjournment.

XXIII. Clergymen belonging to the Diocese, but not entitled to seats in the Convention, Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church, not belonging to the Diocese, and Candidates for Orders, shall be admitted to the sittings of this Convention.

XXIV. None of the Rules of Order shall be suspended, without the concurrence of two-thirds (2-3ds) of the members present.

XXV. The foregoing Rules of Order shall be read at the opening of every Convention, and shall be of force, unless repealed by a vote of the Convention.

## STANDING RESOLUTIONS.

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1. *Resolved*, That the following sums, whenever called for by special resolution of Convention, shall be contributed by each Parish or Church to the Bishop's Fund, to wit :

St. Michael's, Charleston,	\$300	Trinity Church, Society Hill,	10
St. Philip's, do. - -	250	St. David's, Cheraw, - - -	10
St. Paul's, do. - - -	150	Church of the Messiah, }	- 10
St. Peter's, do. - - -	150	North Santee, }	
Grace Church, do. - - -	100	St. Matthew's, - - - - -	10
Prince George, Winyaw, -	50	St. Mark's, Clarendon, - -	10
St John's, Berkley, - - -	50	St. James's, Goose Creek, -	10
St. John's, John's Island,	50	St. Andrew's, - - - - -	10
Edisto Island, - - - - -	50	Prince William's, - - - -	10
All-Saints', Waccamaw, -	50	Prince Frederick's, - - -	10
Trinity Church, Columbia, -	50	St. Paul's, Stono, - - - -	15
St. Helena, Beaufort, - -	35	Church of the Advent, }	5
Grace Church, Camden, -	30	Spartanburg, }	
St. Bartholomew's, - - -	25	Calvary Church, Glenn Springs,	5
Church of the Holy Cross, }	20	Christ Church, - - - - -	5
Claremont, }		St. James's, James Island, -	5
St. Helena, St. Helena Island,	10	St. Thaddæus, Aiken, - - -	5
Pineville and Upper St. John's,	20	Zion Church, Richland, - - -	5
St. Thomas and St. Dennis,	20	Trinity Church, Edgefield, -	5
St. Luke's, - - - - -	15	Trinity Church, Abbeville,	5
Church of the Holy Trinity, }	15	Grace Church, Sullivan's Island,	5
Grahamville, }		Church of the Redeemer, }	5
Christ Church, Wilton, - -	15	Orangeburg, }	
St. James, Santee, - - -	20	Holy Communion, Cannons-	10
Christ Church, Greenville, -	10	boro', }	
St. Paul's, Pendleton, - -	10	Holy Apostles, Barnwell, - -	5
St. John's, Winnsboro', - -	10	<i>Passed 1859.</i>	

2. *Resolved*, That the Trustees of the Bishop's Common Fund shall punctually pay over to the Bishop of the Diocese, the sum of four thousand (\$4,000) dollars, annually, in quarterly payments, from said fund, to enable him to discharge his Episcopal duties. *Amended 1859.*

3. *Resolved*, That whatever balance may remain, after paying the sum of four thousand (\$4,000) dollars to the Bishop, shall be paid over to the Bishop's Permanent Fund.

4. *Resolved*, That it shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Convention, in his annual summons to the different Parishes or Churches, to state the quota of such Parishes or Churches, to the Bishop's Common Fund, when called for by special resolution of a previous Convention.

*Passed 1859.*

5. *Resolved*, That all Parishes and Churches receiving aid from the Society for the Advancement of Christianity in South Carolina, shall each contribute five (\$5) dollars annually, towards defraying the expenses of the Convention; that all Churches and Parishes in the cities of Charleston and Columbia, not receiving aid from the said Society, shall each pay for the same purpose twenty (\$20) dollars annually, and that all other Churches and Parishes in this Diocese, shall pay annually ten (\$10) dollars for the same purpose; and that the Secretary, in issuing his summons to the Parishes or Churches, shall inform them of this resolution; and that at each Annual Convention, the Treasurer shall apply to the Delegates of each Church for their respective contributions.

*Passed 1820. Amended 1856.*

6. *Resolved*, That it be the duty of the Secretary of the Convention, for the time being, to furnish the Ministers of the several Parishes or Churches, with blank copies of the usual form for the reports; and that they be and they are hereby required, to make their annual returns conformably to the same.

*Passed 1826.*

7. WHEREAS, according to the Consecration service of the Protestant Episcopal Church, "devout and holy men, as well under the Law "as under the Gospel, moved either by the express command of God, "or by the secret inspiration of the blessed Spirit, and acting agreeably to their own reason and sense of the natural decency of things, "have erected houses for the public worship of God, and separated "them from all *unhallowed, worldly, and common* uses, in order to fill "men's minds with greater reverence for his glorious Majesty, and "affect their hearts with more devotion and humility in his service;" and, whereas, the delivering of orations, and holding elections, on secular or political subjects and occasions, and the usual worldly accompaniments and circumstances, are thought inconsistent with both the letter and spirit of this declaration of the Consecration service, and have been found to give pain to many members of our Communion, and generally to be of injurious tendency; therefore be it

*Resolved by this Convention*, That it be recommended to the Vestries of all Churches in this Diocese, to discourage, and, if possible, interdict the use of the Churches under their care, for all *unhallowed, worldly, and common* purposes.

*Passed 1828.*

8. *Resolved*, That the custom of returning thanks for sermons preached before this body, is inexpedient and unnecessary, and shall not, in future, be observed.

*Passed 1829.*

9. *Resolved*, That the Treasurer be authorized to pay at or before every meeting of the General Convention, to the Secretary of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, the quota of this Diocese, towards defraying the contingent expenses of the General Convention.

*Passed 1832.*

10. *Resolved*, That it be recommended to the Parishes of the Diocese, to defray the expenses of their respective Pastors, incurred by their attendance on the Diocesan Convention. *Passed* 1838.

11. *Resolved*, That it be respectfully recommended to the members of our Church who are proprietors of slaves, individually and collectively, to take measures for the *support* of Clerical Missionaries and Lay Catechists, who are members of our Church, for the religious instruction of their slaves. *Passed* 1838.

12. *Resolved*, That it be urged upon the Rectors and Vestries of the country Parishes, to exert themselves to obtain the services of such Clerical Missionaries and Lay Catechists. *Passed* 1838.

13. *Resolved*, That every Missionary and Catechist be approved of by the Bishop. *Passed* 1838.

14. *Resolved*, That no person who is a candidate for Orders shall be admitted to a seat in this Convention as a Lay-Delegate from any Parish or Church. *Passed* 1838.

15. *Resolved*, That it be respectfully recommended to the several Churches in this Diocese, that in the appointment of Delegates to the Diocesan Convention, they should select persons who are regular communicants of the Church. *Passed* 1841.

16. Whereas the practice of both public and private travelling on the Lord's day, is deemed to be a prevalent evil of the times; and whereas, Canon 41st of 1832, "of the due celebration of Sundays," prescribes that "all persons within this Church shall celebrate and keep the Lord's day, commonly called Sunday, in hearing the Word of God read and taught, in private and public prayer, in other exercises of devotion, and in acts of charity, using all Godly and sober conversation,"

*Resolved unanimously*, That the attention of the members of the Church in this Diocese, be solicited to the above Canon. *Passed* 1844.

17. *Resolved*, That hereafter in voting by ballot, the Secretary shall call the names of the Clergy, and of the Churches in order, and the votes be brought forward and deposited with the Tellers as called for; and no vote shall be received after the Tellers begin to count the votes. *Passed* 1847. *Amended* 1851.

18. *Resolved*, That three dollars per day be paid to the Organist officiating during the Sessions of the Convention.

*Resolved*, That a like sum be paid to the Sexton acting for the same period. *Passed* 1856.



# CHARTERS OF CHURCHES.

*P. 53, Resolution 3d.*

There are in union with this Convention.

I. *Eleven* (11) Congregations, which have never been chartered, viz:

St. David's, Cheraw,	Ascension Church, Gillisonville,*
Pineville and Upper St. John's,	Grace Church, Anderson,
St. John's, Fairfield,	Church of the Redeemer, Orangeburg,
St. Philip's, Bradford Springs,	Christ Church, Charleston,
Emmanuel Church, Chester,*	Trinity Church, Black Oak.
Zion Church, Richland,	

II.—*Eight* (8) whose charters have expired (1856), viz:

Prince Frederick's, Peedee,	Grace Church, Sullivan's Island,
St. Paul's, Pendleton,	St. James's, James Island,
Trinity Church, Camden, in.....	Holy Trinity, Grahamville,
St. Paul's, Stono,	St. Helena Church, St. Helena Island,

N. B.—The Churches of St. Paul's, Stono, and St. Helena, Helena Island, have also irrevocable charters, (v. under V.)

III. *Fourteen* (14) whose charters, being each for a definite time, will expire in the following years respectively, viz:

St. Paul's, Radcliffboro',.....	1856	Church of the Holy Communion, Charleston,.....	1864
Trinity Church, Abbeville, in.....	"	Calvary Church, Glenn Springs, in.....	"
St. Thaddeus, Aiken, in.....	1857	Trinity Church, Edgefield, in.....	1865
Grace Church, Camden, in.....	1858	Church of the Holy Apostles, Barn- well, in.....	"
Grace Church, Charleston, in.....	1860	All-Saints, Waccamaw, in.....	1866
Church of Epiphany, Laurens, in.....	1862	Christ Church, Greenville, in.....	1867
Trinity Church, Columbia, in.....	1864		
Ch. of the Advent, Spartanburg, in..	"		

N. B.—All-Saints' Parish, Waccamaw, has also an irrevocable charter, (v. under V.)

IV.—*Ten* (10) whose charters are without limitation of time, but subject to an Act of the Legislature. (A. D. 1841.) whereby they may be at any time revoked, viz:

St. Mark's, Clarendon,	Church of the Good Shepherd, Yorkville,
St. Peter's, Charleston,	Church of the Messiah, North Santee,
Christ Church, Wilton,	St. Jude's Church, Walterborough,
St. Luke's, Newberry,	Ascension Ch. St. Bartholomew's Parish,
Church of the Mediator, Columbia,	St. Paul's Church, Summerville.

V.—*Twenty-two* (22) whose charters are irrevocable, having been granted before the passage of the said Act, viz:

St. Philip's Parish, Charleston,	St. John's Parish, John's Island,
St. James's Parish, Santee,	Prince William's Parish,
St. Andrew's Parish,	St. Michael's Parish, Charleston,
St. Bartholomew's Parish,	All-Saints' Parish, Waccamaw,
Christ Church Parish.	St. Luke's Parish,
St. James's Parish, Goose Creek,	St. Matthew's Parish,
St. John's Parish, Berkley,	St. George's Parish, Dorchester,
St. Thomas and St. Dennis's Parish,	Church on Edisto Island,
St. Paul's Parish, Stono,	Claremont Church, Stateburg,
St. Helena Parish, Beaufort,	St. Helena Church, St. Helena Island,
Prince George's, Winyaw,	St. Stephen's Parish.

\*Extinct, though left on list of Convention.

## CANON VII. OF THE GENERAL CONVENTION, 1859.

*Of the Election and Institution of Ministers into Parishes or Churches.*

SECTION 1. It is hereby required, that on the election of a Minister into any Church or Parish, the Vestry shall deliver or cause to be delivered, to the Bishop, or where there is no Bishop, to the Standing Committee of the Diocese, notice of the same, in the following form, or to this effect :

“ We, the Church Wardens (or, *in case of an Assistant Minister,*) We, (the Rector and Church Wardens,) do certify to the Right Rev. (*naming the Bishop*) or to the Rev. (*naming the President of the Standing Committee,*) that, (*naming the person,*) has been duly chosen Rector, (or Assistant Minister, *as the case may be*) of (*naming the Parish, or Church, or Churches.*)”

Which Certificate shall be signed with the names of those who certify.

SECTION 2. If the Bishop or the Standing Committee be satisfied that the person so chosen is a qualified Minister of this Church, the Bishop, or the President of the Standing Committee, shall transmit the said Certificate to the Secretary of the Convention, who shall record it in a book to be kept by him for that purpose.

SECTION 4. No Minister removing from one Diocese or Missionary District to another, shall officiate as the Rector, stated Minister, or assistant Minister of any Parish or Congregation of the Diocese or District to which he removes, until he shall have obtained from the Ecclesiastical authority a certificate in the words following :

“ I hereby certify, that the Rev. A. B. has been Canonically transferred to my jurisdiction, and is a Minister in regular standing.”

SECTION 5. No Minister shall officiate transiently in a vacant Parish, or in one, the Rector or Minister of which is sick or absent, unless the Wardens or Vestry are satisfied he is at the time a Minister in good and regular standing. When from another Diocese, letters commendatory from the Ecclesiastical authority thereof may be required.

# LIST OF THE CLERGY.

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The Rt. Rev. THOS. FREDERICK DAVIS, D.D.,	<i>Camden.</i>
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" A. H. Cornish,	<i>Pendleton.</i>
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" J. M. Green,	<i>Charleston.</i>
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" W. B. W. Howe,	<i>Monck's Corner.</i>
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" N. Hyatt,	<i>South Santee, Way-Mail.</i>
" P. G. Jenkins, M. D.,	<i>Wadmalaw Island.</i>
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" Clement F. Jones, D.D.,	<i>Glenn Springs.</i>
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" Wm. O. Prentiss,	.....	<i>Adam's Run.</i>
" J. M. Pringle,	.....	<i>Columbia.</i>
" J. H. Quinby,	.....	<i>Georgetown.</i>
" E. Reed,	.....	<i>Camden.</i>
" J. J. Roberts,	.....	<i>Stateburg.</i>
" B. B. Sams,	.....	<i>Charleston.</i>
" J. J. Sams,	.....	<i>Black Oak.</i>
" J. B. Seabrook,	.....	<i>Adam's Run.</i>
" R. S. Seely,	.....	<i>Lexington C. H.</i>
" P. J. Shand,	.....	<i>Columbia.</i>
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" J. W. Taylor, M. D.,	.....	<i>Clarendon.</i>
" P. Trapier,	.....	<i>Camden.</i>
" R. S. Trapier,	.....	<i>John's Island.</i>
" E. A. Wagner,	.....	<i>Barnwell, C. H.</i>
" J. R. Walker, D. D.,	.....	<i>Beaufort.</i>
" E. T. Walker,	.....	<i>Beaufort, Charleston in Summer</i>
" C. B. Walker,	.....	<i>Columbia.</i>
" C. Wallace,	.....	<i>Charleston.</i>
" J. V. Welch.	.....	<i>Grahamville.</i>
" A. Wigfall.	.....	<i>Grahamville.</i>



## DIOCESAN COMMITTEES, &c.

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1. Standing Committee of the Diocese :

The Rev. Christian Hanckel, D. D., *Chairman.*

“ C. P. Gadsden, *Secretary.*

“ Paul Trapier Keith,

“ J. B. Campbell,

“ C. Wallace,

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James H. Ladson,

H. D. Lesesne,

Edward McCrady,

C. G. Memminger.

2. Deputies to the General Convention:

The Rev. C. Hanckel, D. D.,

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“ P. J. Shand,

“ C. C. Pinckney, Jr.,

H. D. Lesesne,

E. McCrady,

J. J. P. Smith,

R. F. W. Allston.

3. Treasurer of the “ Bishop’s Funds :”

John Hanckel, *at the Bank of the State of So. Ca., Charleston.*

4. Committee on Calvary Church :

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William A. Pringle,

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George M. Coffin,

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5. Trustees of Mrs. Clarkson’s Legacy to Zion Church, Richland :

T. Boston Clarkson,

William Clarkson, Jr.,

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6. Preacher before the next Convention :

The Rev. E. A. Wagner.

Alternate, The Rev. J. S. Hanckel,

## 7. Trustees of the General Theological Seminary :

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 “ Wm. H. Hanckel,  
 “ P. J. Shand,  
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The Rev. W. Dehon,		Messrs. Chas. Sinkler,
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E. McCrady,		The Secretary.

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## 11. Secretary and Treasurer of the Convention :

The Rev. Cranmore Wallace, *Charleston*.

Assistant Secretary :

The Rev. Wm. H. Hanckel, *Charleston*.

The next annual meeting of the Convention will be held in St. Philip's Church, Charleston, on the third Wednesday of May, 1859, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

C. WALLACE, *Secretary*.

